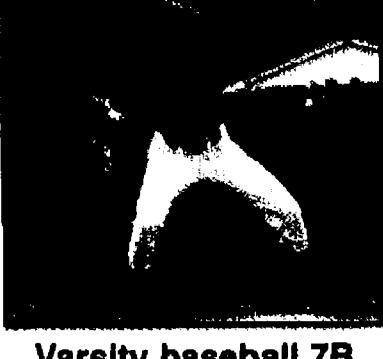




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The foundation of law enforcement



Photo by Cheryll Ruley

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield (at podium) introduced retired Grayling City Police Chief Pete Stephan (far right) and retired Sheriffs (from left) Dave Lovely, Harold "Bum" Hatfield, and Joe White during the annual Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony held May 12, calling them "the foundation of law enforcement in our community." Each was given a copy of the "Living History of Crawford County Law Enforcement Book," which features each of their careers and others who have come before them.

Police week includes memorial ceremony

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

About 60 people from the community and law enforcement agencies gathered May 12 to celebrate National Police Week and to honor those who have fallen in the line of duty in a Law Enforcement Memorial Ceremony.

Hosted by the Crawford County Sheriff's Office and its ranks, members of the Michigan Army National Guard, Grayling Police Department, Department of Natural Resources Conservation corps, Michigan

State Police, emergency medical personnel, local officials and citizens were among those who attended and paid tribute.

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield welcomed the crowd and spoke of the honor he feels to be able to serve his community. A moving invocation was given by Reverend Elizabeth Chace of St. Francis Episcopal Church, followed by a few words on the importance of our local law enforcement by Crawford County Chair Lynnette Corlew.

Sheriff Wakefield then called to the podium retired Grayling City Police Chief Peter

Stephan and Crawford County Sheriffs Harold "Bum" Hatfield, Joseph White and David Lovely where he thanked them for their service and called them "the foundation of our law enforcement community." He presented each man with a copy of the "Living History of Crawford County Law Enforcement Book," in which they will find information about themselves as well as those who came before and after them. The book will continue to grow with the passing of time.

A firing squad of Army

National Guard members provided a 21-gun salute for those who have fallen in the line of duty around the nation. As those in uniform saluted and others bowed their heads, the haunting notes of "Taps" were played by Michael Salyers, echoed by Robert Ramaswamy. Both young men are Grayling High School Band members.

Following a benediction by Rev. Chace and a few words of thanks by Sheriff Wakefield to those who took time out of their busy schedules to attend the ceremony, an informal luncheon was held.

Dozens enter township, county Primary races

Township Supervisor. In District #5, incumbent Dave Stephenson, who serves a portion of Grayling Township, faces no competition from fellow Republicans. Again, no Democrats will run on that party's side of the ballot.

Incumbent District #6 Commissioner Rick Anderson, who serves a portion of Grayling Township and all of Lovells Township, will run unopposed on the Democratic ticket. No Republicans filed for the seat.

District #7 incumbent Republican Commissioner Terry Beardslee faces no opposition in his party's race, but will face Democratic candidate Roy Spangler in the November 2 General election.

Current Crawford County Road Commissioner Ken Riehle will be challenged by fellow Republican and former Road Commissioner, Norman F. Parker. No Democrats filed for the only seat open on the Road Commission this election year.

The following is a list of those seeking township offices nominations in their respective parties and move on to the General Election on November 2. (I) indicates incumbent, (D) Democrat, and (R) Republican.

Beaver Creek Township:
Supervisor: (I) Lee Riley (R), Thomas Conforti (R), Kathleen Mobarak (R); Clerk: (I) Sharon Hartman (R); Treasurer: (I) Vivian Balmes (R); Trustees (vote for two in one party only): (I) Linda Little (R), Deanne Whiteside (R), Gary Summers (R).

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See "DOZENS ENTER..."

Library millage would assure its funding

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

There is one consistency when it comes to the funding of the Crawford County Library system – that it is inconsistent. Passage of a millage proposal coming before the voters August 3 would create consistent funding and assure the four libraries in Crawford County will not only function, but continue to grow and offer more services and programs for all residents.

Each year, the Library Board must develop a budget using figures from the year or two before. The problem with budgeting for the coming year using last year's revenue figures is that those amounts are not set in concrete and have been in decline.

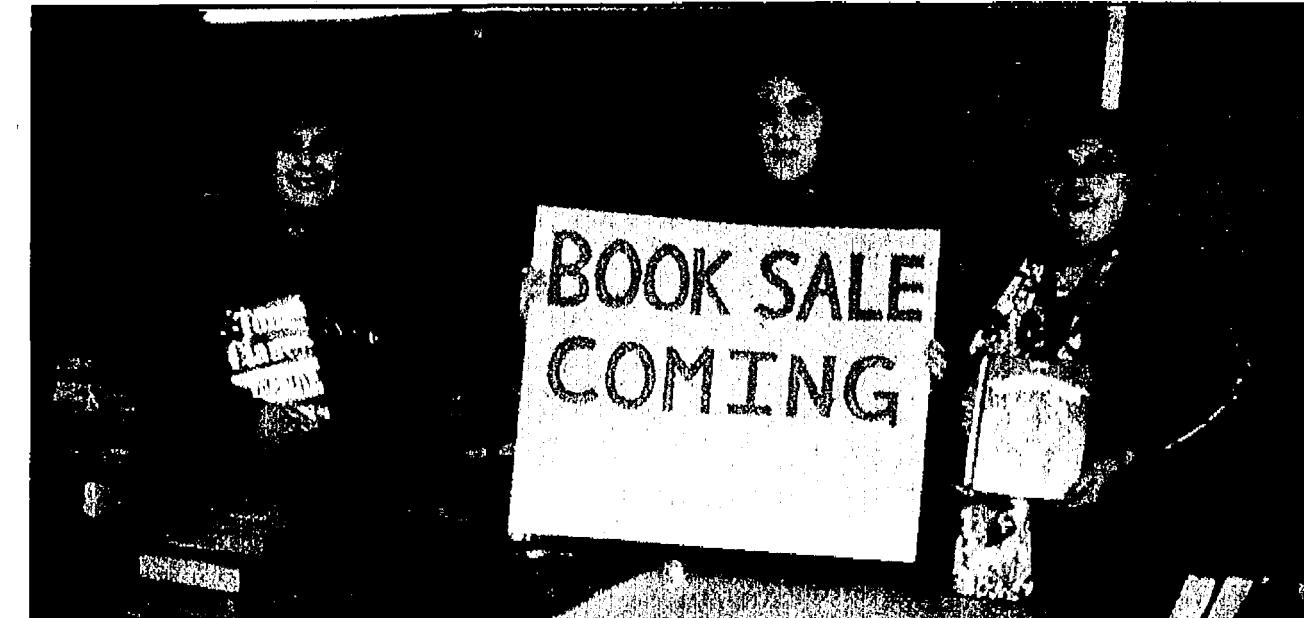
Because there has been a decrease in penal fine revenue as well as state funding – coupled with the increased costs of operating the libraries, from

heating costs to toilet paper – the Library Board has had to dip into reserve funds for the past few years, using \$60,000 to \$80,000 annually to keep the four libraries running at their current status.

Increases in utility and insurance rates have not only affected household budgets, but the library as well.

Crawford County Treasurer Joe Wakeley said, "In two years all reserves will be gone, putting the libraries in critical condition. I believe the operating millage should be approved and that it is better to ask the voters now, than to wait until there is a crisis."

Wakeley said the Library Board and the County Commissioners were wise to bring the issue to the voters this year because revenues have been flat and the new millage revenues would begin to be collected with the 2004 Winter taxes, making funds available



Volunteers Ginger Lyons, Karyn Ruley and Carol Britton worked for days to sort about 10,000 books for an upcoming sale. A portion of the proceeds will help a campaign to support a library operational millage for the Crawford County Libraries.

beginning in January. The guaranteed funding would assure uninterrupted library services and keep the library from cutting hours or laying off employees, or closing a branch.

"Spending down to nothing is not a good way to operate," Wakeley said. "And the libraries should not be operating solely on unpredictable penal fines and state funding."

The community would miss their services too much if lack of proper funding causes some big changes in a year or two."

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See "LIBRARY..."

Call still out for scrap tires

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

Crawford County residents, property and business owners who want to dispose of more than eight tires, free of charge, during the upcoming Tire Clean-up Day may still contact their local officials to make arrangements for disposal.

The event will coincide with the annual Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Day on June 19, but scrap tire collection will not be held in the county building parking lot as before. The tire collection site will be announced at a later date.

Grant monies obtained through the county's environmental fund, with matching funds from all six townships and the City of Grayling, will be used to pay the expense of the tire collection. The project is

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Gillard kicks off re-election campaign

Speaking near the banks of the AuSable River about his new legislation to protect one of the nation's greatest trout streams from exploratory gas drilling last Friday, State Representative Matt Gillard (D-Alpena) announced he is seeking reelection to the Michigan House.

"During my first term in office, I have worked hard to develop a bipartisan plan that will preserve the beauty and solitude of one of our state's most precious assets - the AuSable River," Gillard said during a press conference to discuss his Mason Tract Protection Plan.

"Now it's time for the legislature to take action," he said. "When I return to Lansing, I am going to fight to make sure our plan is put to work. And I am going to fight just as hard to win a second term so that Northern Michigan continues to have a strong voice in state government."

The freshman lawmaker cited several other goals he intends to accomplish, including the approval of legislation that will

lower the cost of health care insurance and prescription drugs for senior citizens, working families and businesses.

"Michigan faces many difficult challenges in 2004," he added. "We need leaders in state government who will fight for our priorities: good-paying jobs, quality education for our children, as well as affordable health care and prescription drugs. That is why I am asking for a second term in the Michigan Legislature."

Gillard has won statewide praise and national media coverage for his effective advocacy on an array of issues over the past two years.

In March, he spearheaded the effort to save a pair of orphaned two-month old northern Michigan bear cubs from euthanization by the state Department of Natural Resources.

He has sought to defend state-owned natural areas from exploratory drilling for natural gas, including the Mason Tract near the South Branch of the AuSable River, one of the nation's

most acclaimed trout streams. He has also been at the forefront of Michigan's move to curb Canadian and out-of-state trash from entering state landfills.

Gillard said some of the happiest times of his life have been spent hunting and fishing with his father and family in Michigan. "That's why it is an outrage to me that the Great Lakes State has become the Great Waste State to those beyond our borders," he said.

"As your State Representative, I will make sure that Michigan remains a beautiful place to hunt and fish. Our state should not be a dumping ground for other people's trash."

Gillard graduated from Alpena High School in 1991 and earned his bachelor's degree in Political Science in 1995 from Albion College. He received his law degree from Wayne State University School of Law in 2000, joining the Alpena family law firm founded by his grandfather.

Elected in 2002 to his first two-year term, Gillard is the House Committee Minority Vice Chair


Rep. Matt Gillard (D)
106th House District

for Conservation and Outdoor Recreation. In addition, he is a member of the House Committee on Health Policy and the House Committee on Insurance. A new father, Gillard last year also was appointed to serve as a member of the bipartisan Michigan Early Education and Care Task Force, as well as a member of the bipartisan Michigan House Task Force on Long Term Care for the elderly.

Tentative trial dates set for suspected drug dealer

by Cheryll Ruley

Staff Writer

A Lincoln Park man faces trial

in late July if he does not plead guilty to drug delivery charges at an upcoming hearing.

Bobby Douglas Tacker, age 33, was arrested the morning of February 22 during a routine traffic stop after the Crawford County Sheriff's Office received a tip regarding a suspicious drug situation at the Hospitality House motel in Grayling.

Working with the Grayling City Police and the S.T.I.N.G. Narcotics team, sheriff's deputies stopped Tacker who was alleged to be dealing cocaine and heroin. Several thousands of dollars worth of the two drugs, along with marijuana were reported to have been recovered in the investigation, as well as scales, receipt books, drug paraphernalia and over \$800 in cash. Tacker's vehicle was also confiscated for possible forfeiture.

On April 5, Tacker stood mute at his arraignment on two counts of delivery of a controlled substance less than 50 grams, one count of 2nd degree delivery/manufacturing marijuana, and one count of Habitual Offender 4th Offense. He is expected back in 46th Circuit Court on July 6 for a jury status hearing when he will have another chance to plea to the charges. Tentative dates for trial have been set for July 21 and 22.

Tacker's bond was set at \$25,000 cash and he remains lodged in the Crawford County Jail.

Second suspect in BP robbery awaits trialby Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

The second suspect in the December 14, 2003 armed robbery of the BP gas station in Frederic Township is not expected to go to trial until August.

About \$70 was taken from the station by a suspect wearing a ski mask and threatening the clerk with a gun. Both the mask and a plastic toy handgun were taken into evidence after being found hidden under a bucket. Original reports that the items were found during a traffic stop in January were in error.

Twenty-nine year old Grayling resident, Kelly Jo Pratt, was arrested as a result of information she provided police during the traffic stop and Daniel Latesky, another suspect in the incident and others, was arrested days later after he fled the vehicle.

Pratt stood mute at her arraignment on multiple felony charges in 46th Circuit Trial Court on April 5. Besides one charge of armed robbery in the gas station incident, Pratt also has been charged with two counts of Home Invasion 2nd degree and passing a false vehicle title.

Also on April 5, Latesky, age 29 of Grayling, was sentenced to 6 1/2 to 15 years in prison for his role in the armed robbery. He pleaded guilty to the charge in March, foregoing trial.

Pratt remains lodged in the Crawford County Jail. Her bond was set at \$20,000 cash.

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GHS Players to present 'Crazy' musical

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

Several Grayling High School seniors will be making their first appearances in the newly renovated Joseph Stripe Auditorium, but it will be the last performances of their high school careers.

May 27-29, the Grayling High School Players will present the Broadway musical "Crazy for You," with music by George and Ira Gershwin, and based on the book by Ken Ludwig.

With permission from the Gershwin family, primarily three nephews, the 1930s Broadway production of "Girl Crazy" has had its storyline transformed for today's society and audiences, sans the ethnic humor unacceptable by today's standards, but keeping all the silliness of the original production. Like its predecessor, "Crazy for You" is stuffed with one-line zingers, glitter, romance, vintage show business, and unforgettable melodies.

The Gershwin's also allowed "Crazy for You" producers access to the entire Gershwin catalogue of music. To complete the renovation of the old

show, some numbers were deleted and some were borrowed from other Gershwin productions.

Songs featured in "Crazy for You" include "Shall We Dance?," "Someone to Watch Over Me," "Tonight's the Night," "But Not for Me," "Embraceable You," "I Got Rhythm," "Nice Work if You Can Get It," "They Can't Take That Away From Me," and "K-R-A-Z-Y for You," which provided the show's new name.

The musical had a four-year run on Broadway, with 1,643 performances. It earned three Tony Awards, two Drama Desk Awards, and five Outer Critics Circle Awards.

Taking their bows in their last

high school musical will be stage performers Hannah Miller, Margaret VanGuilder, Danielle Fedak, Megan Fekete, Samantha Collin, and Jamie Zelek; chorus member Tony Thomas; and pit musicians Lisa Adkison, Heather Stamper, Kip Franklin, Chris Bonnington, Apryl Rugenstein, and Michael Salyers.

Under the guidance of drama instructor and adult Director

Andrea Binert, Student Directors Beth Brewer and Beth Lucey, and Student Wardrobe and Makeup Manager Summer Coe, hope to present this nostalgic musical to three sell-out crowds with the help of many talented student cast and crew members.

The Cast:

Mike Cole as "Bobby Child," Benjamin Lucey as "Bela Zangler," Richard Ryan as "Lank Hawkins," Hannah Miller as "Everett Baker," Rebecca Ramaswamy as "Polly Baker," Jessica Wakeley as "Irene Roth," Robert Ramaswamy as "Eugene Fodor," Margaret VanGuilder as "Patricia Fodor," and Danielle Fedak as "Mother (Mrs. Lottie Child)."

The Follies Girls: Jennifer Long as "Tess," Jenny Ringle as "Patsy," Megan Fekete as "Mitzi," Summer Coe as "Louise," Stacey Brown as "Susie," Chelsea Curriston as "Margie," Samantha Collin as "Sheila," and Jamie Zelek as "Vera."

The Cowboy Trio: Mike Fiebelkorn as "Moose," James Hilbrecht as "Mingo," and Charles Hughes as "Sam."

Chorus Members: Tony

Thomas, Katie Voelker, Genecia Shinew, Orland Dami, James Haven, Rachel Sellis, Nerissa Morris, and Elysie Zupko.

Pit Musicians: Casey Mahaffy (Flute/Piccolo), Lisa Adkison (Flute/Piccolo Clarinet), Heather Stamper (Flute/Piccolo, Baritone Saxophone), Mallory Olson (Oboe and English Horn, Tenor Saxophone), Kip Franklin (Bassoon, Soprano Saxophone, Alto Saxophone, Clarinet), Ryan Seewald (Alto Saxophone), Jenny Hoag (Tenor Saxophone), Kyle Seewald (Clarinet), Chris Bonnington (Bass Clarinet), Apryl Rugenstein (French Horn), Michael Salyers (Trumpet), Jonathan Kane (Trumpet), Chris Wells (Trombone), J. Ethan Lynch (Bass), Austin Andrus (Drum Set), and Samantha Wilkerson (Percussion).

Student Technical Director Nick Henning leads the Production Crew of Darcy Shinew, Ellie Curriston, Heather Vandecar, Jeff Weaver, Brian Gomez, and Ellice Cross.

Set construction was made possible by the hard work of the GHS Building Trades Classes.

The Publicity team for "Crazy

For You" is Justin DeVille, Rosa Sowulewski, Kristen Patnode and Jessie Ayers.

Adult advisors serving as the Production Staff include Director - Andrea Binert, Vocal Music Director - Karen Ross, Pit Orchestra Conductor - Michael Wrobel, Piano Accompanist - Deb Hadley, Technical Director - Mark Binert, Set Construction - Joe Ferrigan, Choreographer - Louise Tournaud (with additional choreography by Andrea Binert and Karen Ross), Publicity - Angie Golnick, Costume Director - Bonnie French, Additional Costuming - Cheryl Lucey, and Hair by Gail Swope and Melanie Ross.

The community is invited and encouraged to come and support the GHS Players' production of "Crazy for You." This will be the first opportunity to enjoy the sights and sounds of a stage production in the renovated auditorium, with more seating and vastly improved acoustics.

The curtain goes up Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings at 7 p.m. Tickets are priced at \$8 for adults and \$6 for students and senior citizens, and are available in advance at Davis Jewelers on Michigan Avenue in Grayling.

The local production of "Crazy for You" is made in association with Tams-Witmark Music Library, Inc.

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The Michigan Department of Transportation hereby provides notice to the public, and property owners adjacent to state highways for roadside rights-of-way within Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Emmet, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Roscommon, and Presque Isle counties.

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by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

COMMON TYPES OF ARTHRITIS

About 15% of the U.S. population has arthritis, and this number is expected to increase to about 81.2%, or 59.6 million people, by 2020. The foot is especially susceptible to arthritis because of its many joints and weight-bearing activities. Several types of arthritis exist.

Osteoarthritis, the most common, affects 20.7 million U.S. adults. It typically strikes after age 45 and primarily involves joint cartilage in weight-bearing joints.

Rheumatoid arthritis, a systemic inflammatory disease, affects the lining of the joints. Juvenile rheumatoid arthritis and involves immune system abnormalities.

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Stormwater project to begin on south side

by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

A day of riding off-road vehicles (ORVs) ended tragically when an accident involving two of three riders took the life of a Canton man early Sunday evening.

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield said a call to 911 Central Dispatch just before 7 p.m. on May 16 regarding the accident was answered by Deputies Dean Goss and Conrad Niederhouse, personnel from South Branch Township Fire and EMS and Mobile Medical Response (MMR), a North Flight

EMS Air Unit and a Department of Natural Resources law unit.

First to the scene was a South Branch rescue unit who reported one victim of the accident was lying in the roadway with head injuries and unresponsive. A second crash victim, Kevin James Meehan, age 22 of Westland, was able to get up and walk around, but was in pain and taken to Mercy Hospital in Grayling where he was treated for non-life threatening injuries and released that evening.

Wakefield said the three companions were reported to have been riding "up and down the

road all day" on and near Pioneer Road in South Branch Township. He said operating the ORVs on the road was illegal to begin with and an investigation of the accident showed the machines were "going too fast."

Wakefield said William Edward Jameel, age 23 of Canton, was following the first ORV rider (not identified) east on Pioneer Road, west of Stephan Bridge Road, when he made a turn. Jameel attempted to follow the turn, but failed and was struck by the machine driven by Meehan. Jameel was thrown from the vehicle.

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As part of the project, Jensen is

looking for willing businesses or landowners who would like to participate in a demonstration project involving their property.

This may include the construction of a rain garden or other filtration practices. Anyone interested should call Jensen at 348-9319 or Lowe at 348-2131.

As a result of this project the adoption of stormwater runoff control ordinances for new commercial, industrial and road development are expected to be adopted.

A map of the areas of the city

that will be affected this year is available at huronpines.org.

FIA needs drivers, people for sewing project

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

The local office of the Family Independence Agency (FIA) is looking for a few volunteers to help make life more pleasant for many of its clients.

Transportation coordinator Tracy Gallagher said the last time a call went out for volunteer drivers, the response was good. But more drivers are needed once again by the agency.

Drivers transport FIA clients to and from medical appointments in Grayling, Roscommon, Houghton Lake, Gaylord and Traverse City. Clients can range from a parent with a child to the

elderly, and drivers receive 26 cents per mile.

Hours can vary therefore drivers with a flexible schedule are really needed.

Gallagher said many of her drivers and clients enjoy meaningful relationships. The trips to and from appointments allow many clients, who rarely get out, a chance to socialize and feel a part of the community.

To be eligible to provide transportation, volunteer drivers must be at least 21 years old, have a valid driver license, be willing to undergo a background check, and have a dependable vehicle.

Gallagher is also seeking vol-

unteers who love to sew and would like to help make pajamas to be given to FIA clients this Christmas season. It may seem like a long way off right now, but Gallagher said she needs these volunteers to call her now in order for the pajama program to properly serve FIA clients.

FIA will provide the materials needed, Gallagher said she just needs the willing hands of talented people to help her out.

For more information on how to become a volunteer driver or to help with the sewing project, call Gallagher between 3 p.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, at (989) 344-5108.

Study finds no changes needed at intersection

In response to a request last fall from Grayling Township Supervisor Terry Wright, the Michigan Department of Transportation conducted a study of the intersection of M-93 and Old 27.

Wright had requested the intersection be changed from a 3-way stop to a 4-way stop for safety reasons.

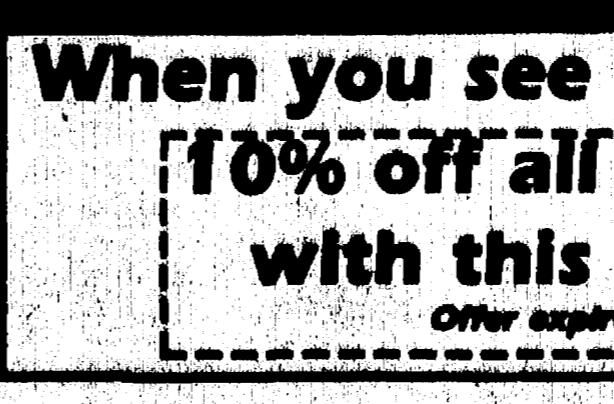
A field review of the intersec-

tion was conducted by Michigan State Police. The review included a traffic count which found that northbound traffic on M-93/Old 27 contains the highest traffic volume.

The study concluded that allowing free flow movement on this approach increased the capacity of the intersection, reduced delay and reduces the opportunity for rear end accidents to occur.

An accident analysis was also

done for the intersection covering accidents from January 1, 1999 to April 30, 2003. During that time period 19 accidents occurred, 13 of which were animal related. Of the remaining six accidents, three were right angle accidents which would be helped with traffic signal control. There were also three rear end accidents, which tend to increase when vehicles are required to stop.



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In a concert on Sunday, May 23 at 4 p.m., at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church (MMUMC), on Michigan Avenue in Grayling, Christian contemporary hit, "I Can Only Imagine," will be performed again by Jackie Beckwith accompanied by bass player Thane Doremire, drummer Tony Scarzo and pianist Jill Scarzo. Numerous other pieces sung by the Chancel Choir including "Agnus Dei," "Come, Now is the Time to Worship" and "He is so Exalted." Another highlight of the concert will be the Youth and Kids choirs singing "He Is Mine" along with the Chancel Choir and an African instrumental accompaniment. The concert is free and all are welcome. MMUMC is a handicapped accessible facility and ushers will be available for assistance.

Apply for Rotary's Youth Exchange

The Grayling Rotary Club will be offering an opening for a qualified applicant in Rotary District 6290 Youth Exchange Program for the year 2005, departing in the summer of that year. Students who will be 15 to 18 years of age at that time and would be interested in this program are asked to contact Norman Schmoock at 348-5132 for more information.

Bicycle Safety Rodeo this Saturday

The 7th annual Bicycle Safety Rodeo for children in grades Kindergarten through fifth will be held by the Crawford County Sheriff's Office this Saturday, May 22 in the parking lot of the AuSable Primary School, from noon to 2 p.m. Children participating must be accompanied by a parent. For more information, contact Undersheriff Shawn Krayes at 344-3210 or Tina Bassett at 344-3214.

Retired school personnel to meet

The first meeting of the season of the Roscommon Chapter of the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel (RARSP) will be held Tuesday, May 25 at Whitehead's Restaurant, 9014 North Houghton Lake Drive (Old 27) in Houghton Lake. Registration begins at 10:45 a.m. Paramedic Kathy Mobarak, Higgins Lake EMS, will give a presentation on strokes at 11 a.m., followed by a luncheon buffet at noon. There will be a short business meeting after the presentation. Send reservations of \$5 per person (includes beverage, tax and tip) made payable to "RARSP," to Janet Porath, P.O. Box 489, Houghton Lake, MI 48629. All school personnel, past and present, are invited to attend. Call (989) 422-4757 for more information.

Tickets on sale for Friends' auction

Tickets are on sale for the "Love Your Library Art and Treasures Auction," hosted by the Friends of the Crawford County Libraries, to be held Friday, June 11 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in Grayling. A few items up for bids include a kayak, hooked rugs, handcrafted fly rod, quilts, stained glass, sailboat ride with picnic lunch on Lake Charlevoix, handcrafted jewelry, an antique clock, watercolors, prints, oils, pottery, photography and more. Tickets are \$15 each in advance, or \$17.50 at the door. Advance tickets are available at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library, the Frederic Community Library, Northern Expressions, Fannie Finn's, Flowers by Josie, and Cartwright & Danewell; or reserve tickets by calling (989) 348-7173. Ticket price includes hors d'oeuvre and dessert bar, soft drinks, tea or coffee. A cash bar will be available. Besides the live auction, a silent auction will be held and door prizes awarded. All proceeds from the event will benefit future library events and programs.

Sen. Stamas coming to Grayling

Sen. Tony Stamas (R-36th District) will conduct office hours in the district on Friday, May 28, including a stop in Grayling. Office hours are open to residents wishing to express their opinions or needing assistance with a state issue. Stamas will meet with citizens May 28 from 3 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. in the Council Chamber Room of Grayling City Hall, located at 1030 City Boulevard, west off the I-75 Business Loop, just north of downtown. For more information, call Stamas' office toll-free at 1-866-305-2136. Residents unable to attend office hours can write to Sen. Stamas at P.O. Box 30036, Lansing, MI 48909.

Hot dog sale to benefit Meals on Wheels

The Crawford County Commission on Aging Senior Citizens Center will be sponsoring its annual Hot Dog Sale, Friday and Saturday, May 21-22, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. Get one hot dog and one drink for \$1. Everyone is encouraged to stop by the center on Lawndale Street in Grayling. All proceeds will go to the local Meals on Wheels program. For more information, call 348-7123.

Kids can get free hearing/vision tests

The Crawford County office of District Health Department #10, at 202 Meadows Drive in Grayling, will be offering free hearing and vision screenings for children ages three to 18 years at its office on Friday, May 21, from 9:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call 348-7800 for an appointment. Head Start students and children entering Kindergarten this fall can be screened for hearing and vision in August. Call the office for dates and times for these children.

WWII veterans to be honored May 29

A Memorial Dedication honoring World War II veterans will be held Saturday, May 29 at 11 a.m. at the American Legion in Grayling, sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and Auxiliary and the American Legion and Auxiliary Post 106. This special service will honor those veterans unable to attend the recent dedication of the World War II Memorial in Washington, D.C. The public is welcome and lunch will be available following the ceremony.

Committee for 911 Renewal to meet

The fundraising committee for the campaign to renew the 911 telephone surcharge on the August 3 ballot will meet Wednesday, May 26 at 5 p.m. at the Crawford County courthouse, 200 West Michigan Avenue in Grayling. Anyone interested in helping with the campaign is welcome to attend. The committee will meet the last Wednesday of each month until the election. For more information, call Mike Shearer at 348-2083.

Farm Park admission free this Saturday

Wellington Farm Park, a 60-acre open-air museum, is inviting all local residents to come to the farm this Saturday afternoon, May 22, for a special pre-season glimpse of what the farm has to offer.

Gates will open at 12:30 p.m. and all are invited, free of charge. All of the park's buildings and facilities will be in operation. Interpreters in period dress will be working in all seven of the park's major interpretive areas.

The concession stand and soup kettle will be in operation, and special activities typical of the year 1932 have been planned. There will be games and pony rides for the children and special re-enactors and musical organizations will be on hand throughout the day for entertainment.

This year, plans for the farm will take several giant steps forward. Construction will begin on two major additions, several new and very large events are planned for the season and, if money can be raised, a historic church built in the mid-1800s will be moved to Wellington.

Saturday's event is planned to provide local residents an opportunity to visit the farm at no charge and see the changes that are taking place. Developers of the historical facility are confident that in the very near future,

Wellington Farm Park will become a major factor in the economy of the local area as it becomes a destination point for travelers and an additional attraction for visitors to northern Michigan.

The public is urged to visit Wellington Farm Park this Saturday afternoon. Enjoy the farm at no cost, see what it has to offer and learn more about one of the many great places for visitors to come to here in the community. This event coincides with Wellington's invitation to all local businesses and organizations to visit the park for Business Appreciation Day.

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Students bring Mother's Day greetings to Mercy Manor



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Some Grayling Middle School students visited Mercy Manor on May 6 to deliver handmade Mother's Day cards and carnations. Students also passed along well wishes to the nurses who were recognized for their wonderful attention to those who need care during National Nurses' Week, May 3-7.

49th Square/Round Dance Festival to be held May 21-23

The Northwest Michigan Spring Square and Round Dance Festival will be celebrating its 49th Annual Festival this year, May 21-23 in Traverse City.

The Festival begins at 6:45 p.m. on Friday and continues through Sunday until 4 p.m. at St. Francis High School, 123 East 11th Street.

Nationally-known square dance callers Ken Bower of Palm Springs, CA and Gary Shoemaker of Sevierville, TN will be featured. Round dance callers will be Anne and Charles Brownrigg of San Antonio, TX.

There will be workshops in the mornings and afternoons, both Saturday and Sunday for the dancers, and dancing Friday and Saturday nights until 11 p.m.

There will also be a dance on Sunday afternoon.

Square dancing is fun. People from all walks of life and all ages enjoy it. It is also very good physical activity. Square dancing is an international activity, and there are clubs in all parts of the world. An interesting fact is that all square dancing is called in English, no matter where the dancing is done.

Anyone interested in square and round dancing is invited to come and observe the dancing and colorful outfits worn for the event. The Northwest Michigan Square and Round Dance Council reports at least 400 dancers are expected to participate in the May 21-23 event in Traverse City.

Region 9 Area Agency on Aging 2004-05 program funds available

The Region 9 Area Agency on Aging announces the availability of funds for fiscal year 2004-2005.

In accordance with the Annual Implementation Plan, funds are to provide Tobacco Settlement Respite, National Family Caregiver Support and Disease Prevention Health Promotion.

Funds are available for the following counties: Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon.

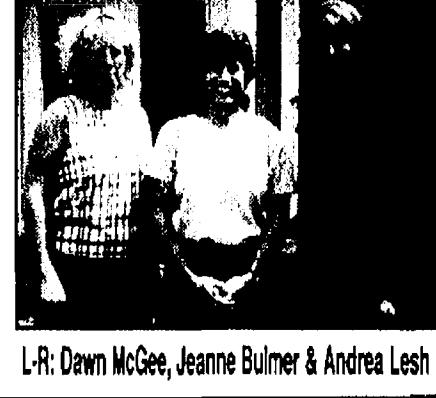
The Region 9 Area Agency on Aging must receive letters of intent to apply for funds by Friday, June 11, 2004.

For further information, contact Misty Dragiewicz, Grants Administrator, Region 9 Area

Agency on Aging, 2375 Gordon Road, Alpena, MI 49707, or by calling (989) 356-3474, ext. 213.

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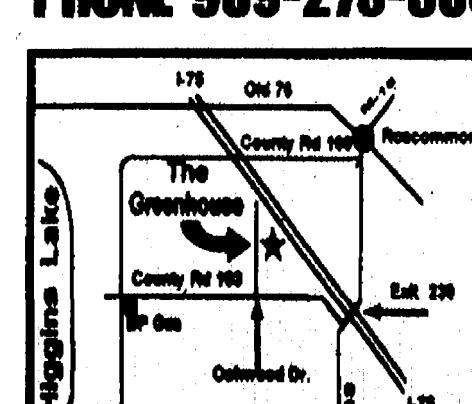
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The Bible Speaks

Faith

God tells us of the importance of faith in Hebrews 11:6 because it is impossible for us to please Him without faith. "But without faith is impossible to please him; for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him." God calls the patriarch Abraham the father of faith. Both Romans 4:3 and Gal 3:6 remind us that God declared Abraham to be righteous simply by believing His word. This righteousness came to Abraham before he was circumcised according to Romans 4:10. So Abraham is called the father of faith to both the Jews and Christians. "And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had yet being uncircumcised; that he might be the father of all them that believe, though they be not circumcised; that righteousness might be imputed unto them also: 12 And the father of circumcision to them who are not of the circumcision only, but who also walk in the steps of that faith of our father Abraham, which he had being yet uncircumcised. 13 For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith." This reminds us that salvation for both Jews and Christians comes by believing God's word by faith alone, and not by obeying God's law." Romans 4:16 reminds us that salvation is always by God's grace through faith in God's promises. "Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us

all."

Faith means simply believing or having faith in God's word. We see this definition in Hebrews 11:1: "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." The only eternal substance we possess of things hoped for is God's Word. The only evidence we possess of things not seen is God's word. The Bible is the only eternal truth we possess in this temporal world. As Paul said in 2 Cor 4:18: "While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal." It is believing God's word by faith now which gives us hope for the eternal future. "For we are saved by hope; but hope that is seen is not hope; for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope?" (Rom. 8:24). So by simply believing God's word we receive faith for now and hope for the future. "That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life." (Titus 3:7). "In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began." (Titus 1:2)

Faith can be no stronger than the object of our faith. The leader of a religious cult once visited our community on Christmas day passing out literature. He knocked on my door and started trying to share his beliefs. Of course, he did not believe in celebrating Christmas. He became so worked up trying to argue with me that he was literally foaming at the mouth. I told him I did not question the sincerity of his faith, but rather the object of his faith which was what really mattered. I illustrated that point by pointing to my old car in the driveway. I told him it didn't matter how much faith I had that my

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Meet your school board candidates

Six candidates will vie for one seat on the Crawford AuSable School District's Board of Education in the annual school election on Monday, June 14. The *Crawford County Avalanche* would like to take this opportunity to introduce them to our readers.

The following profiles were developed from answers the candidates gave on a questionnaire provided to them by our newspaper. In some cases, candidates provided lengthy answers, while others' answers were much shorter. Because these profiles are meant to serve as an introduction and our space is limited, some editing has been performed. Profiles appear in alphabetical order.

Ladies and gentlemen, your 2004 Board of Education candidates...

George K. Bindschatel, of



George Bindschatel

Frederic Township, is a sign painter and is a local business owner. He and his wife, Kimberly, have four children and two grandchildren, and have lived in Crawford County since 1968.

In his leisure time, he enjoys golf, boating and spending time with his family. He also enjoys serving as a volunteer coach in the community.

Bindschatel served in the U.S. Navy for four years and 17 years in the U.S. Army.

He said he wishes to serve on the Board of Education, "To be more open to the concerns of our parents and be aware of the needs of our children."

Bindschatel said changes on the school board are good and should be encouraged. He said he would like to listen to the concerns of the people and make Crawford AuSable Schools "a place where we are proud to be a part."

If elected, he hopes to help the board live up to its fiscal responsibility to the citizens of Crawford County. He also said, "Parents should be kept abreast of the changing times. With both parents working, we as a school board should understand their needs and work together more."

Bindschatel stated the top priorities for school administration is "not to take care of faculty, but assure your kids have the best education possible." He said the board should always be trying to get more qualified people to work in the Crawford AuSable School system.

Kay M. Cosgray, of Frederic



Kay Cosgray

Township, is a business liaison with the local Michigan Works! office. She has lived in the Grayling area for 3-1/2 years and has three step-daughters with her husband, Bob.

In her leisure time, she enjoys spending time with her family, working and playing with children and animals, working in the yard and watching all kinds of sporting events. She also enjoys volunteer work as a board member of the Grayling Kiwanis Club and Crawford County Historical Society. She served 12 years as a 4-H volunteer in a previous community.

Cosgray has an extensive background in government. At the age of 19, she was elected to a seat on her local school board; at age 22 she was elected to the Swartz

Creek City Council, serving 10 years," four of which were as Mayor. She served a two-year term on her local County Commission and four years as a State Legislator, then served as a legislative assistant and clerk of many state committees.

She said, "I enjoy working with people and working to make my community a better place to live and work.... You don't set back and let others do the work, we all need to work together for our community to advance."

Cosgray said she would like to serve on the school board to help advance the opportunities for the school district with her experience and networking. She is an advocate for strong academics and believes her past experience and degree in accounting would help the district make some difficult financial decisions.

She said she feels the young adults and youth in Crawford County are its best asset and the school board should encourage them to advance their education. She believes local business owners and government officials should bring opportunities to help build a strong workforce and create an environment that would encourage young people to live and raise their families in Grayling, not go elsewhere.

Cosgray said she feels strongly about the quality of education for all grades. She would like to decrease the drop out rate and find out what the district may be lacking that causes students to drop out of school. She believes in parental involvement during school hours and after school, and a mentoring program should be developed "to help define their future direction in life, and to encourage inner growth."

She added that board members need to "work together to continue adult education and the GED program, along with keeping our sports programs, which creates pride and a spirit throughout our schools and community."

Jane Lange, of Grayling, is a



Jane Lange

Mathematics and Career Development Skills Instructor at Kirtland Community College's M-TEC. She is also an instructor at Davenport University.

She and her husband, Jim, have two children. Kelly is a freshman at Grayling High School and Katie is in the fifth grade at Grayling Elementary School.

In her leisure time, Lange enjoys golfing, gardening, walking, reading, traveling and boating. She said she also enjoys watching her daughters play sports, such as basketball and volleyball. Lange enjoys her work as a Mercy Amicare Hospice volunteer.

Lange has no previous experience in government, but would like to serve on the board of education "to make a difference in our children's education." She said, "I want to become more involved in the community and thought this would be an excellent place to begin."

As a Kirtland faculty member, she said she is aware of budgetary concerns and has made some tough decisions in her own department. "Making necessary cuts is never easy," she said. As a faculty member, she said she is always looking at ways to improve the curriculum. "CASF has a strong curriculum. I believe I can offer sound advice concerning future curriculum issues and budgetary concerns based on my work experience and Master's degree in Business Administration and Fundraising," she said.

Lange said her goal as a school board member is to work very hard and do the best job she can. "I want to be an active listener and help the school board team make the tough decisions concerning

our kids' future."

She said the number one priority for the school administration is "the kids." She said, "Not only is their education important, but also their safety is a top concern."

Another top priority, Lange said, is maintaining the excellence in hiring qualified and dedicated teachers. "CASF has some excellent teachers and that should not be compromised. Curriculum should also be on the agenda. Offering a wide variety of courses is important. Kids certainly have strengths in many different areas. It is important to steer them in the right direction, depending on where their strengths are," she said.

Finally, Lange said, "The budget, of course, is a top priority for the school administration, especially in these tough economic times. Important financial decisions must be made, even though they may not be popular ones."

David R. Shriner, of Grayling,



David Shriner

is a Project Manager for a local machine tool company. He and his wife, Lynne, have two children - son, Storm, and daughter, Skye. In his leisure time, Shriner said he enjoys serving as a Boy Scout Leader and a Grayling Recreation Authority volunteer. He also enjoys fishing, camping and family time.

Shriner has no previous experience in government, but would like to serve as a member of the Board of Education "to improve Crawford AuSable academic capabilities and assist in appropriating funds for selective activities."

He said he would also "assist in school district organization and maintaining a promising future for our youth."

If elected, Shriner said he would hope to assist "in a better education for our youth" and "to work with the Board in creating a balance between academics and sports."

Shriner said he believes the top priorities for school administration in the Crawford AuSable School District are "to maintain the budget; improvement of MEAP scores throughout the district; better communication between students, parents and teachers; and ways of creating the means to develop and extend educational opportunities in the summer for those who wish to further their education."



April Whitaker

April R. Whitaker, of Grayling, is a Registered Nurse at Mercy Hospital. She has been married for 2-1/2 years and has a one-year-old child.

In her leisure time, she said she enjoys cooking, reading and walking, as well as spending time with her family.

Whitaker has no previous experience in government, but has civic experience as a volunteer, including serving two years on the Board of Directors for the Kalamazoo Jaycees. "I served as Community Service Director, as well as Vice President of Community Service and Fundraising," she said.

"Teachers today have a difficult time being allowed to 'just teach.' With all the new federal, state and local requirements for education, along with the continuing budget crisis, I feel the quality of our children's

education is being compromised," said Whitaker. "This is my motivation for running for the Board of Education."

Whitaker continued, "If elected, I hope to influence changes in the curriculum and education programs to benefit the students. I would also make sure that any budget cut is made with the least impact on the students and the staff that directly impact them."

She said, "With the way our current economy is, budget cuts are inevitable. The priorities for the administration is to make sure the cuts are made in such a way that our children's education is not compromised."

Everett E. Woolsey, of



Everett Woolsey

Grayling, works in Construction Management, assigned to Dow Design and Construction at Dow Chemical in Midland.

He and his wife, Sandra, have two sons - Andrew is a sophomore at Grayling High School and Jeffrey is a seventh grade student at Grayling Middle School.

In his leisure time, Woolsey said he enjoys bowling, family outings, hunting, fishing, snowmobiling and motocycling. He also enjoys coaching both ladies softball and youth football.

Woolsey's experience in government includes his current service on the Crawford County Construction Board of Appeals. And, "As a construction manager, I have managed and executed numerous Department of Defense and Department of Energy construction contracts," he said.

Woolsey wishes to serve on the Board of Education because, he said, "I have a strong commitment to serve my community and all youth of our community. I am prepared to allocate the time required to be an effective board member for my community."

When asked what he hopes to accomplish if elected, Woolsey replied, "It is not what I hope to accomplish, but what can be accomplished as a board. I am committed to working on our board to set goals and implement the plans that will make our board successful in attaining goals."

In the wave of current and future budget cuts, Woolsey said the top priority for school administration is "to work to optimize our available resources for the education of our youth."

Woolsey's background includes "extensive training and experience in negotiations and contract management." While a member of the United Association, he served on the Local Union Collective Bargaining Committee and served as a job steward for his local union for several years.

He is a member of the Grayling Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie 3465, President of the Roscommon Ladies Softball League and Secretary of the Grayling Redskins Youth Football Board.

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The family that exercises together stays fit together

By Ernie Harwell



Health officials agree that overweight children are the most likely to become tomorrow's fat adults, which places them at risk for a variety of health problems, including high blood pressure, heart attacks and diabetes. Unfortunately, the National Center for Health Statistics says that nearly 15 million youngsters in this country between the ages of 6 and 18 are overweight. The number has nearly tripled since 1980.

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Winters are always more fun when enjoyed with family, and I'm a firm believer that the family that exercises together stays fit together.

And please remember to take care of your health before it's longggg gone!

Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 55 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns entitled "Life After Baseball," is available at local bookstores or by calling 1-800-245-5082.

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**Danielle Alison Brand and Steve Branch**

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Brand of Elk Grove, Illinois, announce the engagement of their daughter, Danielle Alison Brand, to Steve Branch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Branch of Grayling. A July 16, 2004 wedding is planned.

Danielle, a 1993 Elk Grove High School graduate, received a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago in 1998. She is employed by Countrywide Mortgage in Clarkston.

Steve, a 1993 Grayling High School graduate, received a degree in Special Education from Central Michigan University in Mt. Pleasant in 1999. Steve completed his Master's degree from Saginaw Valley State University in Saginaw in 2004.

He is employed by Clarkston High School as a Special Education teacher and J.V. football coach.

Van Guilder, Kanakis engaged

**Nick Kanakis and Rachel Van Guilder**

Mr. Barry Van Guilder of Grayling and Ms. Anne Van Guilder of Grayling, along with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kanakis of Houghton Lake announce the engagement of their children, Rachel Van Guilder and Nick Kanakis.

A July 10, 2004 wedding is being planned. The couple will reside in Traverse City where Nick works as an electrician and Rachel works for a local bank.

BIRTHS

Jamie and Kevin L-Bulley, of Roscommon, announce the birth of their daughter, Makenzie Leeann, born at Mercy Hospital in Grayling on April 21, 2004 at 10:21 p.m., weighing 8 lbs., 8 oz. and measuring 20 inches long.

Greer and Thomas Helsel, of Grayling, announce the birth of their daughter, Emma May, at Mercy Hospital in Grayling on May 3, 2004 at 4:55 p.m., weighing 5 lbs., 13 oz. and measuring 19 inches long.

Tatum M. and Daniel D. Hovland, of Grayling, announce the birth of their son, Elijah Daniel, born at Mercy Hospital in Grayling on April 23, 2004 at 8:19 a.m., weighing 8 lbs., 0 oz. and measuring 20 1/2 inches long.

Kelly and Dannie Ray, of Grayling, announce the birth of their son, Dannie M., born at Mercy Hospital in Grayling on April 23, 2004 at 8:36 p.m., weighing 6 lbs., 1 oz. and measuring 19 inches long.

Charlene and Bradley Scheer, of Grayling, announce the birth of their son, Peyton David, born at Mercy Hospital in Grayling on April 29, 2004 at 8:04 a.m., weighing 9 lbs., 1 oz. and measuring 21 1/2 inches long.

April Lundy and Steele Klee, of Grayling, announce the birth of their daughter, Sydney Lee, at Mercy Hospital in Grayling on May 9, 2004 at 1:01 p.m., weighing 6 lbs., 7 oz. and measuring 19 1/2 inches long.

Joyce and Jeff Hoffmann, of Grayling, announce the birth of their daughter, Lacie Ann, at

DISTRICT HEALTH #10 CALENDAR

District Health Department No. 10, Grayling office, has scheduled the following clinics/classes for June. Please call 348-7800 for appointments.

Immunization clinics: June 2 and 16 by appointment.

HIV/AIDS Testing - the Health Department will conduct confidential HIV/AIDS testing by appointment only.

Family planning: June 1 and 15 by appointment.

WIC Supplemental Food Program for pregnant women, infants and children: June 2, 10, 11, 14, 16, 17, 21, 23-25.

OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard Training sessions are

scheduled quarterly at the Cadillac office only. Information and appointments can be made by calling (231) 775-9942.

Breast and Cervical Cancer Screenings are available to women ages 40-64 who have limited or no health insurance. A clinic is scheduled June 8 in Grayling. Call 1-800-968-7300 for an appointment.

Hearing and vision screenings: This is a free program for children ages three to 18. Call the Health Department more information.

Other services are available including:

- Maternal/Infant support

Families Matter;

- Environmental Health (well and septic permits, food service, water testing, etc.);

- Mi Child and Healthy Kids

- Insurance Programs;

- Health Promotion Programs: such as Smoking Cessation Classes and Abstinence Education; and a variety of health topic presentations by health educators.

The Crawford County branch office of District Health Department #10 is located on Meadows Drive, east of the South 1-75 Business Loop, in Grayling. Telephone: (989) 348-7800.

MILITARY NEWS

**SSG Michael J. Campbell**

Staff Sergeant Michael J. Campbell of Grayling, a member of the Camp Grayling Maneuver Training Center recently was awarded the U.S. Army Achievement Medal.

He was submitted for this award for his service at the Camp Grayling Logistics Support Center. His citation reads, "For exceptional service performing duties as the housing inspector for the Logistics Support Center, Camp Grayling, Michigan. Staff Sergeant Campbell served as lead inspector during three rotations of annual training with more than 12,000 troops."

"His sound judgment and customer focus is reflected in his dedication to duty. Staff Sergeant Campbell has managed the housing section during several periods. He possesses a thorough understanding of many logistics missions and always can be counted on to help the team. His outstanding service reflects great credit upon himself, the Maneuver Training Center and the Michigan Army National Guard." Signed by Colonel Dennis D. Hull, Camp Grayling Commander.

The medal and a citation were presented by Col. Hull.

Campbell is a 1976 graduate of Grayling High School, and with his wife, Mary, live in Grayling. He is the son of Jack and Cassie

Campbell, also of Grayling.

Staff Sergeant Campbell is the General Manager of IMM, Inc. of Grayling.

**SGT Sharon Whitcher**

Sergeant Sharon M. Whitcher of Grayling, a member of the Camp Grayling Maneuver Training Center recently was awarded the U.S. Army Achievement Medal. She was submitted for this award for her service as a key Wheeled Vehicle Mechanic of the Maintenance Section, Camp Grayling Logistics Support Center.

Her citation reads, "For outstanding service to the Maneuver Training Center as a maintenance Non-Commissioned Officer. Sergeant Whitcher has demonstrated self-confidence in every aspect of vehicle maintenance and repair, and clearly establishes goals to achieve as quick turnaround rate in regard to vehicle maintenance. She presents a 'can do' positive attitude and constantly achieves success when confronted with limited parts and resources. Sergeant Whitcher's actions and accomplishments reflect great credit upon herself,

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Central Michigan University

Anna Fortino was chosen to study in New York this spring through her Fashion Merchandising program at Central Michigan University.

The New York study tour provided an introduction to the New York apparel, design and interior industries and institutions. Broadway, Central Park and Times Square were all part of Anna's free time itinerary.

Anna is a 2002 graduate of Grayling High School and the daughter of Mike and Kelly Fortino.

**Anna Fortino**

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Roxanne R. Rice-Ende, of Grayling recently received certification as a BeutiControl Independent Skin Care/Image/Spa Consultant at the Company's BeutiU Skin Care/Image/Spa Training.

At BeutiU, Rice-Ende learned how to conduct Skin Condition Analysis with patented Skin Sensors and Spa Escapes, as well as professional Color Analysis, which is still the core of the business. New Consultants also received BeutiControl's field-proven for-

mula of success, plus valuable instruction on how to build a personal team of new Consultants and quickly advance to new career levels and rewards.

"With BeutiControl, I enjoy the freedom and flexibility to set my own hours and income, which gives me more time for my family and more control over my future," said Rice-Ende. "The best part is that I am developing my personal best and helping others develop their personal best, too."

Headquartered in Dallas, BeutiControl is an international image and party plan direct sales company that provides an unlimited earning opportunity for women to build successful home-based business.

BeutiControl Independent Skin Care/Image/Spa Consultants share the opportunity to help people look their best through a total image solution that includes customized skin care, color-coded cosmetics, wellness and spa products for women, plus complimentary image services such as Skin Condition Analysis with patented Skin Sensors, professional Color Analysis and makeovers. BeutiControl also offers products for men and teens.

BeutiControl is a subsidiary of Tupperware, Inc., and a member of the Direct Selling Association and the Cosmetic, Toiletry and Fragrance Association.

Familiar face joins local real estate firm**Scott Longendyke**

Scott Longendyke has recently joined the staff of Re/Max of Grayling, having earned his real estate license. He has been a familiar face around the community for 12 years and was a sales associate at a local car dealership for six years before deciding to move to Re/Max of Grayling.

He brings years of customer service and professionalism to the community. After growing up here, Scott and his wife, Mistey, have made Grayling their home. Mistey is a registered nurse at the hospital and the couple has two children, Tyler and Madison, with another addition to the family expected in October.

Card of Thanks

I would like to say thank you to Dr. Gosling and Dr. Lagattuta for what you did for me and you will always be in my prayers. Thank you again.

Diane Hendershot
of Grayling

Versatile machine benefits rehabilitation patients

Mercy Hospital Grayling and Prudenville Mercy Rehabilitation services have a new piece of equipment that will benefit patients.

The SCIFIT Total Body Recumbent Stepper is a way to walk up, sit down and get a great workout. Its comfortable seat makes it easy to get on and off the machine and can be removed to accommodate wheelchair patients. The machine features one-touch start and contact heart rate that make exercising and monitoring a patient's workout easy.

"This machine allows you to get a great cardio and strength workout in one machine," explained Kourtney Cingano, Director of Rehabilitation Services at Mercy Hospital Grayling.

"You can exercise your entire body, upper body only, or lower body only. With its 200 levels of computer-controlled resistance, this machine can work for anyone at any level of fitness."

The SCIFIT monitor displays calories burned, distance and speed. A "heart rate" setting enables the machine to adjust the workload to maintain a patient's target heart rate. An "ISO strength" setting allows the patient to maximize workload at a fixed rate per minute, a key ingredient for sports training or for therapies where fixed rate per minute are desirable.

Mercy Hospital Grayling's Rehabilitation team provides services that help restore function, improve mobility, relieve pain, and prevent or limit permanent physical disabilities of patients suffering from injuries or disease.

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by Susan Warrington
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The third annual adult care expo will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church Parish Hall in Grayling. It will be held on June 10 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The expo is the biggest ever with over 30 agencies providing information for adults in need and/or their caregivers.

The keynote speaker will be Lynnette Corlew. Several of the agencies will also be providing speakers on topics such as identity theft, domestic violence, the symptoms of Alzheimer's and the Medicaid/Medicare Assistance Plan. A masseuse will also be available.

The newly developed Adult Community Resource Guide will be available at the expo. The guide provides information on identifying abuse, neglect, and exploitation among vulnerable adults. The guide also has a list of phone numbers of agencies who provide help to adults.

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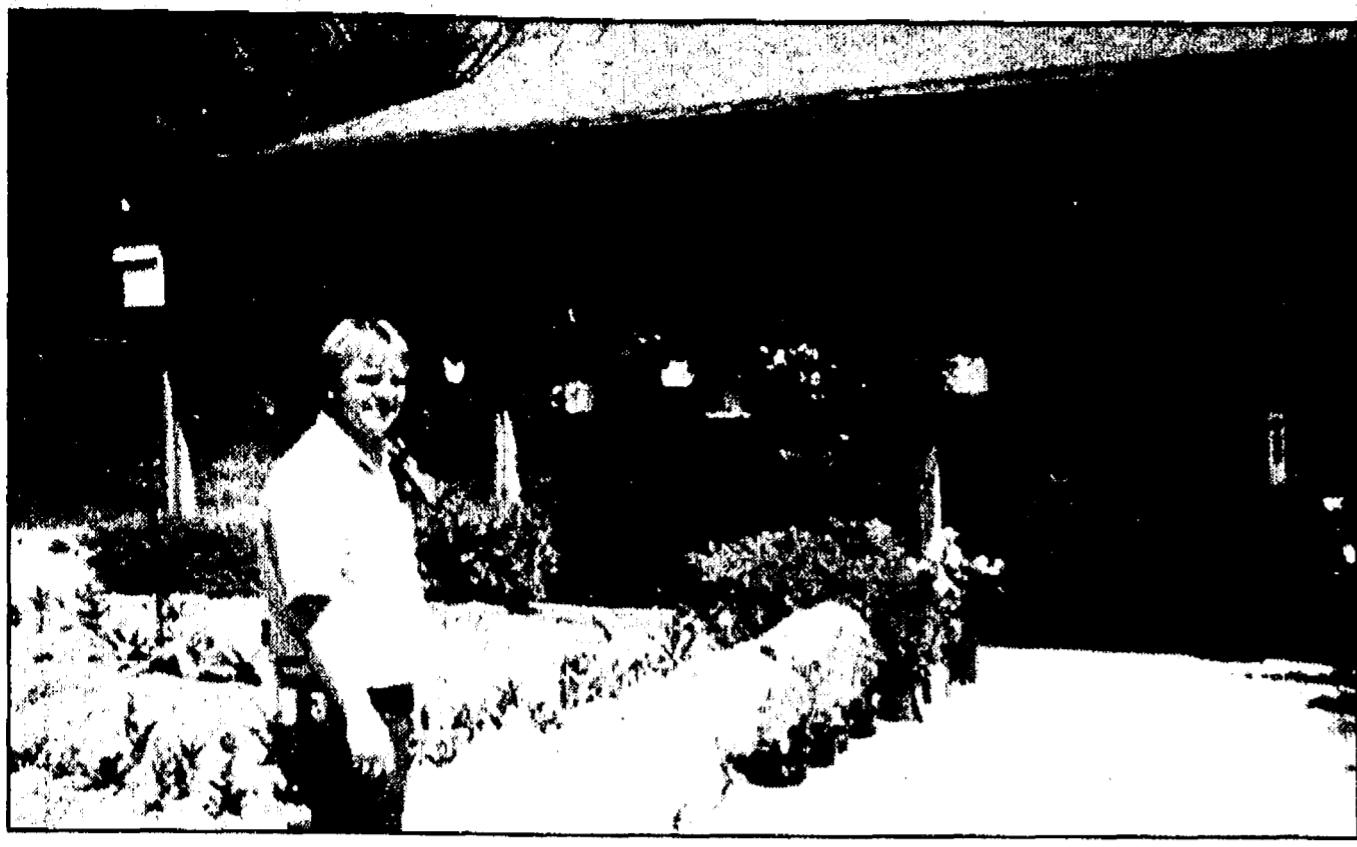


Photo by Susan Warrington

Milltown Feed and Lawn owner Bob McQueen stands in front of the new store just west of the old location. The business has expanded in the five years McQueen has owned it and now with new larger facilities there is room to see what's available.

Advocacy group for self-employed names Talbot to serve as Grayling NASE representative

The National Association for the Self-Employed (NASE) announced recently that Bob Talbot is the new membership representative in the Grayling area.

The NASE was formed in 1981 by a group of small business owners seeking the kinds of benefits and services once only available to large corporations.

With full-time representation in Washington, D.C., the NASE gives its members a strong political voice and the negotiating power that comes with group size. For example, the NASE has used its powerful voice to fight for reduced estate taxes on small businesses, increased deduction of health insurance for the self-employed, the home office deduction, social security reform and clarification of independent contractor status.



Bob Talbot

The NASE also offers more than 100 benefits geared to small businesses, including motivational and educational materials, an annual scholarship competi-

tion offering more than 20 scholarships, discounted long-distance service, travel savings and a toll-free business consultant service.

The NASE's award-winning web site (www.nase.org) and bimonthly magazine Self-Employed America also offer a variety of small business information.

To learn more about the NASE and the benefits it offers, call Talbot at 1-800-979-NASE (6273).

The NASE is a national, non-profit, non-partisan association representing the smallest of small businesses. It offers its members legislative advocacy and more than 100 other benefits including discounts on business products and services.

More information on NASE can be found online at www.nase.org.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 68 complaints the week of May 10-16:

One EMS response, 12 traffic accidents, one traffic violations (civil infraction), one parking violations, two motor vehicle inspections, two liquor license inspections, three civil matter disputes - family trouble, six suspicious situations, 14 general non-criminal, four false alarm activations, one assault/intimidation/stalking, one larceny, one fraud - no account check, two damage to property, one obstructing a court order, 10 public peace/disorderly, one miscellaneous criminal offense, five driving violations/DWLS (driving while license suspended), etc.

Sheriff Wakefield asks: "Do you know where your children are?"

For more information, log on to: www.crawfordsheriff.org.

Card of Thanks

Thank you to MMR ambulance, Mercy Emergency Room staff, and Dr. Bersted, who were all there during my recent episode of difficult breathing. Your professionalism and compassion were very comforting and reassuring to me. My transfer to Munson and my surgery there have been doing and feeling much better.

Thank you also to everyone who sent prayers, thoughts, flowers, cards and calls. They were greatly appreciated. Thanks especially to Jim, Maureen, George, and Irene. Your assistance was invaluable.

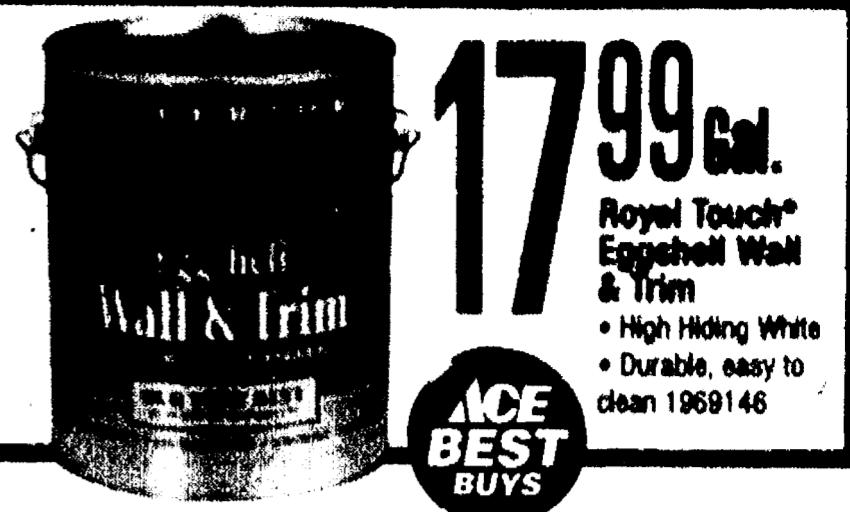
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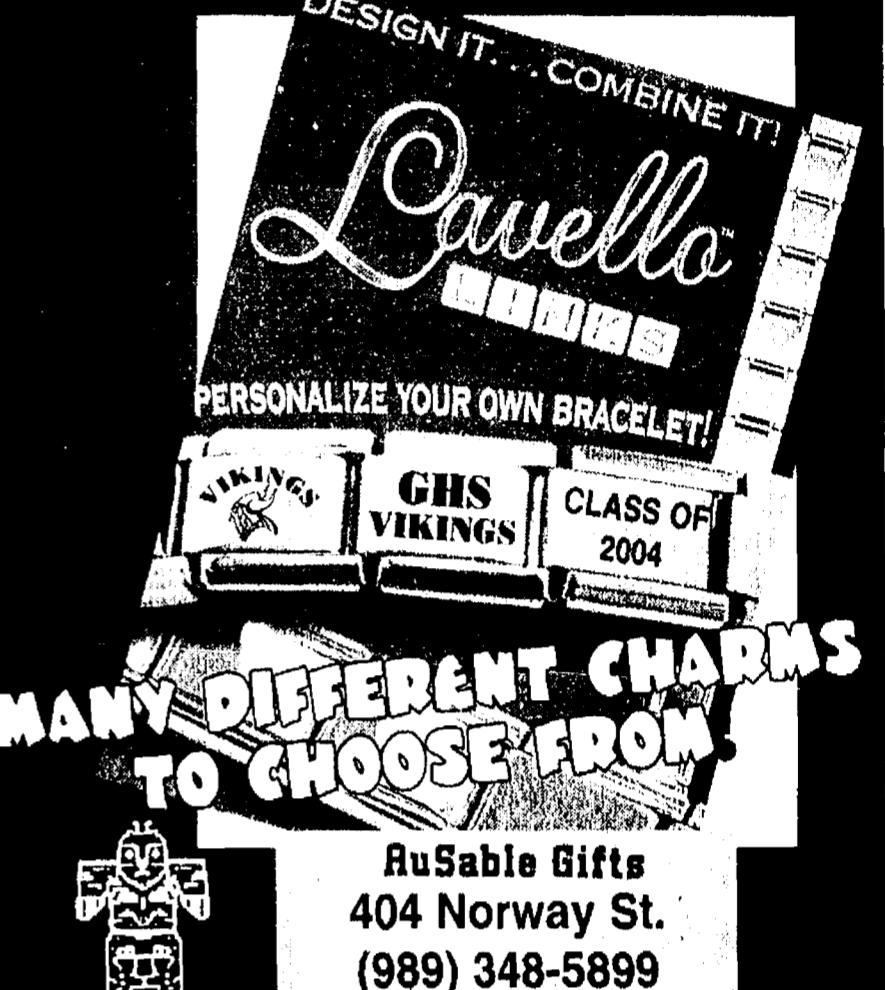
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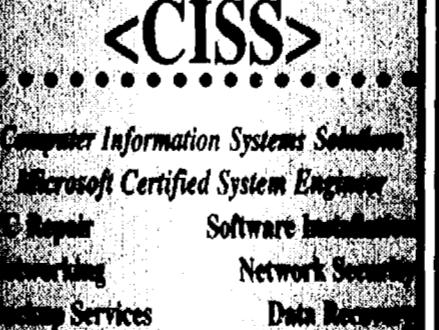
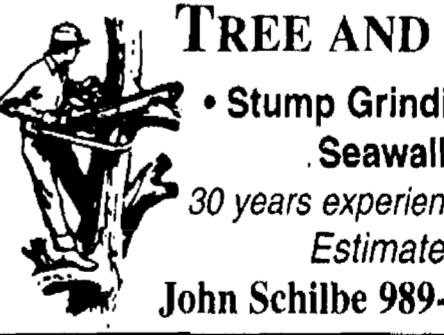
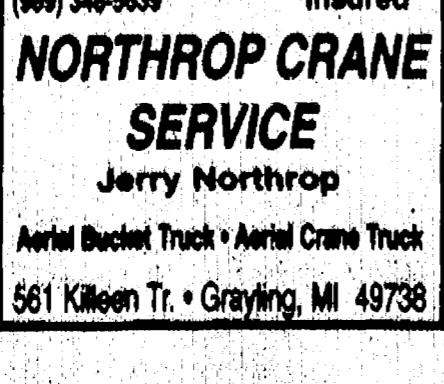
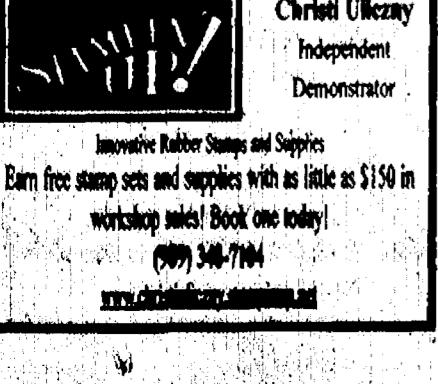
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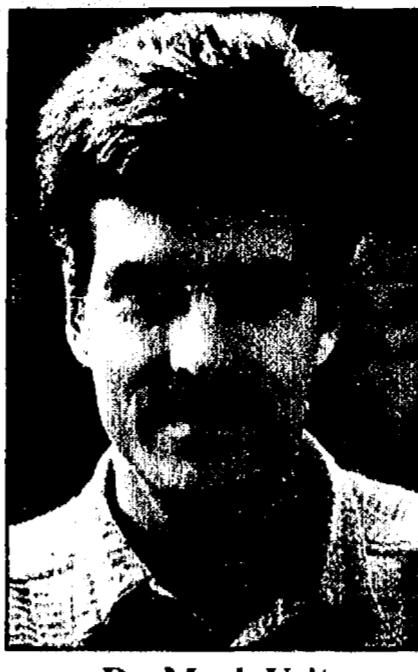
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Hubble Telescope presentation to be given

Dr. Mark Voit will present an exciting and visually stunning program called "Touring Through Time with Hubble" on Friday, May 21, 7 p.m. at Alpena Community College's Granum Theatre.

The Hubble Space Telescope has been taking magnificent pictures of the universe for fourteen years to show us what the cosmos looks like in unprecedented detail. Dr. Voit's talk will be a glorious tour through space and time as viewed by Hubble's eye. See fantastic images of weather on planets, star births, star deaths, collisions between galaxies, and learn what Hubble has discovered about the size and age of the universe.

Dr. Mark Voit is on the faculty of Michigan State University in the Department of Physics and Astronomy. Prior to that appointment, he was Lead Outreach



Dr. Mark Voit

Scientist at the Space Telescope Institute, the organization that operates the Hubble Space Telescope. He developed a major exhibition on Hubble with the Smithsonian Institution and he authored a large-format book of

Hubble photos called "Hubble Space Telescope: New Views of the Universe" which is available at the museum for \$19.95. He also was the project scientist behind Hubblesite.org, the public-outreach website for the Hubble Space Telescope.

Those purchasing tickets to his May 21 evening program are also invited to attend a special reception at the Jesse Beser Museum immediately after. Meet Dr. Voit, see the astounding exhibition "Heavens' Above: Images of the Universe" before it leaves the museum on May 23, and enjoy space age refreshments from the Founder's Society.

Tickets are \$6 for the general public and \$4 for students. Seating is limited and tickets should be purchased now at the Jesse Beser Museum in Alpena or via credit card by calling the museum at (989) 356-2202.

U-M Nursing program application deadline near

The University of Michigan School of Nursing final deadline for application to the Fall 2004 RN-BSN Nursing Degree Completion Program in Traverse City is quickly approaching. All applications and transcripts must be received at U-M Admissions by July 1, 2004. Applications for RN Studies scholarships must be completed by June 1.

Classes for the BSN usually meet one day per week, with an additional clinical day during two semesters.

Application procedures must be completed immediately for consideration for admission to the fall term.

For further information, call Lorrie Jorgenson at (231) 995-1781, or e-mail questions to: ljorgens@umich.edu.

GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

Grayling City Police Chief Karl A. Schreiner reports his department handled the following types of complaints during the period of May 9 - 16:

Five assist other departments, two traffic warnings, one disturbing the peace, one domestic assault, one civil, two juvenile, one misdemeanor arrest, seven civil infraction citations, four larceny, one illegal drug, one animal control, three civil, one violation of personal protection order, two misdemeanor arrests, two alarm responses, one misdemeanor citation, one MDOP, three suspicious behavior, one personal property accident, two traffic accidents, and three unclassified.

National publication features hospital's quality director

Hospital Peer Review, a national publication that examines health care issues, turned to Mercy Hospital Grayling for expert information for a recent article about a new health care accreditation survey process.

Debra Anthony Larson, Director of Quality Management at the hospital, was one of two national experts quoted extensively in a four-page article about the new survey process being utilized by the Joint commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations, or JCAHO, the nation's oldest and largest health care accrediting body.

Last June, Mercy Hospital Grayling was one of the few hospitals in the nation that the JCAHO used to pilot their new survey process which is now being used to evaluate hospitals

across the nation. JCAHO inspectors tested their new "tracer methodology" which follows a patient from the physician's office to the Emergency Room to the hospital to long-term care to home health. The article,

"Lessons Learned: What to Expect from Shared Visions -- New Pathways," appeared in the February 2004 issue of Hospital Peer Review.

"Overall, the new survey process is more customized, so the questions surveyors ask will differ depending on the facility," Larson told Hospital Peer Review. "However, everything they surveyed had a patient safety focus, including medical record reviews, conversations with physicians and staff, and third-party payers require JCAHO accreditation for participation."

Larson began her career at Mercy Hospital Grayling in 1984 as Director of Medical Social Work. She later became Director of Senior Services and Mercy Manor, the hospital's long-term care facility and has served as the hospital's Director of Quality Management overseeing quality, customer service, patient safety and JCAHO survey compliance since 1993.

Founded in 1951, JCAHO is an independent, not-for-profit organization that evaluates and accredits more than 19,500 health care organizations in the United States.

Although JCAHO accreditation is voluntary, most hospitals seek out survey approval because Medicare, Medicaid, and many state agencies and third-party payers require JCAHO accreditation for participation.

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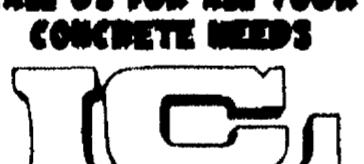
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Kirtland honors largest class ever



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Kirtland Community College honored its largest graduating class ever during its 35th commencement ceremony, May 7. Before a capacity crowd at the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts, college president Dr. Charles Rorie (not shown) conferred degrees on 276 graduates (some shown here), about half of whom walked across the stage to receive their diplomas and certificates. Jim Fischer (not shown), vice president of Patient Care Services and Chief Nursing Officer at Munson Medical in Traverse City, delivered the keynote address.

Dozens enter township, county Primary races

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Frederic Township:
Supervisor: (I) William Johnson (D); Jeffrey Kea (R); Clerk: (I) Nancy Bindshadel (D); Treasurer: (I) Sandra Barber (D); Trustees (vote for two in one party only): (I) Ernest Barber (D), Geraldine Smith (D), Sam Moore (R), Donna Maska (R).

Grayling Township:
Supervisor: (I) Terry Wright (R), Lynnette Corlew (R); Clerk: (I) Monica Ashton (R), Phyllis Huffman (R); Treasurer: (I) Ruth O'Mara (R), Cheryll Ruley (R); Trustees (vote for two in one party only): (I) Dale French (R), (I) Lacey Stephan III (R),

Shawn Kracys (R), Dennis Long (R), Geraldine "Jeddy" Hood (R), Carolyn DiPonio (D); Constable: (I) Jack Best (R).

Lovells Township:
Supervisor: (I) Fred Schaibly (D); Clerk: (I) Cheryl Hopp (R); Treasurer: Ann Duby (R); Trustee (vote for two in one party only): (I) Warren Fuchs (R), Annette Stimpson (R), (I) Delphine Nowaczky (D).

Maple Forest Township:
Supervisor: (I) Mark Kniss (R); Clerk: (I) Sandra Bayham (D); Treasurer: (I) Denise Babbitt (D); Trustees (vote for two in one party only): Ernest Wagner (R), (I) Bernard Feldhauser (D), Cathy Kniss

(D), Kris Madill (D). Current trustee Mike Armstrong did not file for re-election.

South Branch Township:
Supervisor: Tom Kozlowski (D); Clerk: (I) Laura Smith (D), Arlene Miller (R); Treasurer: (I) Suzanne E. Luck (R); Trustees (vote for two in one party only): (I) Bernice McGillis (D), Michael Janisse (R), (I) Paul Musselman (R), Ernest Windolph (R); Constable: Maurice Michael (R). Current Supervisor Joe Myers will not seek re-election.

In primary elections, the highest vote-getters in each party move on to the General Election in November, with the exception of township trustee races where the two highest vote-getters in each party will compete in the fall.

Independent candidates in the August 3 Primary have until July 15 at 4 p.m. to file their candidacies. Write-in candidates have until July 30 at 4 p.m. to file an affidavit of identity to run for office.

The Crawford County Avalanche will be featuring candidates in contested primary races in upcoming editions to introduce the candidates to our readers. Those candidates will be asked to fill out a questionnaire from which profiles will be published.

Library millage would assure its funding

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The vast majority of libraries in Michigan do not depend solely on these two sources of funding for their operational costs. Most are also funded by a special tax or millage to assure libraries will remain open and operating for the public. Earlier this month, Kalkaska County voters approved a .25 millage to operate its one library building and book mobile service because it, too, was facing a decrease in its traditional funding.

Locally, voters will be asked August 3 to approve a .45 millage to operate the four libraries in Crawford County — the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library and branch libraries in Frederic, Lovells and Beaver Creek Townships — for eight years, generating about \$219,000 the first year it is levied.

The entire Crawford County library system is currently oper-

ating on a \$270,000 annual budget, that's a little more than half of the Houghton Lake library budget which operates only one facility.

According to county Equalization Director Kevin Hunter, the average taxable value of a home here is about \$30,000, the average business about \$30,000 to \$60,000. Multiplying 45 cents for every \$1,000 in taxable value brings the cost of the new millage for the average property owner to \$13.50 annually and between \$13.50 and \$27 for business owners. "That's about a buck or two a month for most property tax payers," Hunter said.

In 2003, more than 45,000 visits were made to our local libraries — more than double that of just four years ago — and the demand for children's, youth and senior programs keeps growing as well as demand for new books and materials.

A campaign committee has formed named, "Committee to Save Our Underfunded Libraries" or "S.O.U.L." The group will host a book sale, June 3-5, at 100 James Street, located between Rochette's IGA and Fenton Auto Repair, to raise funds "to bring awareness to the needs of keeping Crawford County libraries not only open and operating, but growing," said committee member Ginger Lyons. "Our libraries are the heart and soul of our communities."

The Friends of the Crawford County Libraries Board of Directors voted unanimously at their April meeting in support of the millage, knowing perhaps more than most people how much the community depends upon the library system and its programs, some of which receive a good amount of funding from the Friends each year.

Those interested in helping the

millage campaign may contact Friends' president, Alice Sturm at 348-1554 for direction.

Call still out for scrap tires

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being administered by the Crawford County Chapter of the Michigan Township Association and The Township Supervisors/City Manager Committee, which will hold its last organizational meeting for the clean-up on June 15.

The benefits of cleaning up old tires in the county are many, but include the prevention of polluting and dangerous tire fires, as well as giving mosquitoes less opportunity to lay their eggs in stagnant water often found in piles of old tires. With the increased incidents of mosquito-borne West Nile virus in recent years in Michigan, action to decrease mosquito-friendly nesting areas is of the utmost impor-

tance.

Those who have nine or more tires for disposal, on or off their rims, must fill out two copies of a form available at all township offices and at Grayling City Hall. Township supervisors and the city manager's office are prepared to answer questions about the clean-up. The committee's intent is "to make disposal at no charge" to Crawford County property owners, but service may be declined "with cause" to anyone, and a reasonable charge for disposal of large amounts of tires may need to be negotiated as grant funds are limited. The committee is working closely with one property owner who has declared the largest amount of tires for disposal thus far — about

200. Those with eight tires or less do not have to be pre-approved to drop off old tires on June 19, but proof of Crawford County residency or property ownership must be provided at that time.

Project coordinator Lee Riley said volunteers are also needed to help with paperwork on collection day and to perform the "grunt work" of moving the tires to the collection container. Riley said high school students who would like to fulfill community service hours are encouraged to help with this project. Anyone who would like to volunteer is asked to contact Riley at the Beaver Creek Township Hall at 275-8878 or local cell phone number (989) 350-8949.

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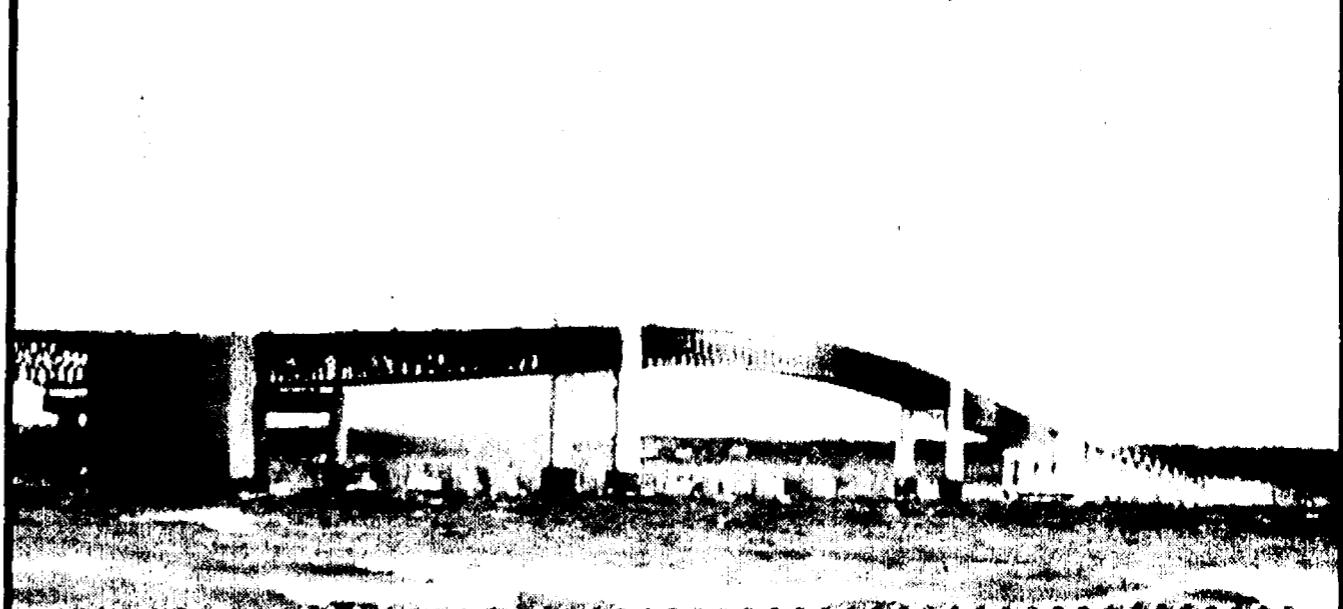


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This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Thursday, May 20 - Breaded fish/Baked porkchops; Aerobics 10 a.m.; Craft Class 10 a.m.; B.P.'s taken 11 a.m. - noon; Uno 5:30 p.m.

Friday, May 21 - Meatloaf/no dinner; Lovells Satellite 12:00 noon; Pantry bingo 1 p.m.; Stagette club 1 p.m.; Hot dog

sale at Glen's.
Saturday, May 22 - Hot dog sale at Glen's.

Monday, May 24 - Sloppy Joes/Chicken Cacciatore; Aerobics 10 a.m.; Stag Club noon; Bridge Club 1 p.m.; Hangman 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 25 - Baked Ham/Italian meatballs; Tenant council 10 a.m. and Euchre at 1 p.m.

Wednesday, May 26 - Swiss steak/Liver and onions; Exercise & Line Dance 10:00 a.m. and Medicine Shoppe Bingo at 5:30 p.m.

Tuesdays and Thursdays - salad bar; Mondays and Wednesdays - soup bar.

All Crawford County senior citizens and their families are welcome and encouraged to visit the Senior Center in Grayling.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled for the period May 20-26, 2004.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located North of County Road 612, East of Guthrie Lake, South of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road). May 20-21, 24-26.

The Range 40 Complex, located North of County Road 612, East of Sherman Road, South of Old State Road 618, and West of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road). May 20-25.

Small Arms Ranges located West of Lake Margrethe, North of Howe Road, East of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek. May 20-26.

Range 12, located South of the main post, bounded on the East by Carrier Road, and West of Beaver Creek (Military Road).

May 20-23.

ARF Range, located West of Lake Margrethe, North of Howe Road, East of the gas pipeline and North of Portage Creek. May 25.

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MILITARY NEWS



SSG Gary L. Beckwith

Staff Sergeant Gary L. Beckwith of Grayling, a member of the Camp Grayling Maneuver Training Center, recently was awarded the U.S. Army Achievement Medal.

He was submitted for this award for his service at the Camp Grayling Logistics Support Center.

His citation reads, "For outstanding service while performing his duties at Camp Grayling's Support Center during Michigan annual training. Staff Sergeant Beckwith wholeheartedly contributed to the supply warehouse operation during this time frame while displaying outstanding professional demeanor. His 'can do' attitude, enthusiasm and relentless initiative contributed greatly to the overall operations of the Central Issue Warehouse." Signed by Colonel Dennis D. Hull, Camp Grayling Commander.

The medal and a citation were presented by Col. Hull.

Beckwith is a graduate of Grayling High School, and with his wife, Debra, and children, Mark (6), Brian (4) and Alyssa (2), live in Grayling. He is the son of Jack and Ruth Beckwith, also of Grayling.

Beckwith is Youth Worker with the Nokomis Challenge Center, Family Independence Agency, State of Michigan.



SGT John Juntilla

Sergeant John Juntilla of Grayling, a member of the Camp Grayling Maneuver Training Center, recently was awarded the U.S. Army Achievement Medal. He was submitted for this award for his service at the Camp Grayling Logistics Support Center.

His citation reads, "For outstanding service while performing his duty at the Camp Grayling Support Center. Sergeant Juntilla significantly contributed to the Supply Warehouse Operation during this time frame and simultaneously displayed an outstanding professional demeanor. His tremendous enthusiasm, relentless initiative, and overall positive 'can do' attitude substantially contributed to the efficiency and success of his section." Signed by Colonel Dennis D. Hull, Camp Grayling Commander. The medal and a citation were presented by Col. Hull.

Sgt. Juntilla is a graduate of Grayling High School, and with his wife, Dawn, and children, Madison (9), Justice (8) and Sabrina (3), live in Grayling.

He is the son of Kay Ellen King of Parachute, Colorado. Juntilla is Youth Specialist at Shawano Center, Family Independence Agency, State of Michigan.

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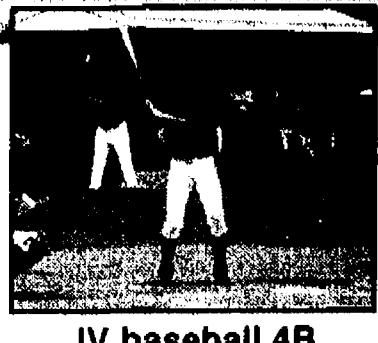
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JV baseball 4B

Thursday, May 20, 2004

Race ends at top of the hill

GRA hosts new race – Top of the Hill 5K – to open running season

On Saturday, May 8, Grayling Recreation Authority held its first running race of the 2004 season – the Top of the Hill 5K. Runners gathered in the rainy 40-degree weather at Hanson Hills Recreation for this first time event.

Competitors challenged themselves to 3.1 miles of rolling wooded trails that finished on the top of the downhill skiing hill.

GRA Director Justin Andre won the event in 20:59, edging out Roscommon's Jerrod Colvin, who finished in 21:43.

On the women's side, Heather Williams of Grayling set a course record time of 26:28 to take the overall female title. Sarah Scow of Roscommon was second at 27:17.

"This race was designed to give the running community an opportunity to see what kind of shape they are in before the big summer races begin. Hopefully everyone will use this weekend's times as a starting point for their summer training."

HANSON HILLS TOP OF THE HILL 5K RESULTS

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Overall Male	Bib#	Age	Time	Dave Atkins	82	48	28:47:00
Justin Andre	Director Guy	25	20:59:00	M.J. Ewald	842	34	30:22:00
Jerrod Colvin	850	22	21:43:00	Dan Scow	849	47	42:29:00
Jim Harwood	78	39	23:16:00				
Randy Stueve	85	32	24:28:00				
Greg Mills	843	43	25:16:00	Overall Female	Bib#	Age	Time
Mark Jurkovich	50	54	25:53:00	Heather Williams	83	29	26:28:00
Jorden Wakeley	846	14	26:02:00	Sarah Scow	847	15	27:17:00
Skip Gadberry	80	24	26:26:00	Chris Seager	844	42	29:46:00
George Gambert	79	56	27:29:00	Cathy Erickson	100	36	35:43:00
Bruce McGuire	81	50	27:43:00	Kris Bullock	84	42	39:45:00
				Cecilia Scow	848	50	46:59:00

Andre said.

GRA will be conducting its

next race – the Hanson Hills

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Challenge Trail Run – on June

For more information, call

GRA at (989) 348-9266 or visit
www.hansonhills.org.



Runners gather at the finish line at the top of the Hanson Hills ski hill. (Photo courtesy of Grayling Recreation Authority)

Redskins announce early sign-up date

League to take registrations on June 3, 6-9 p.m. at Redskin Field

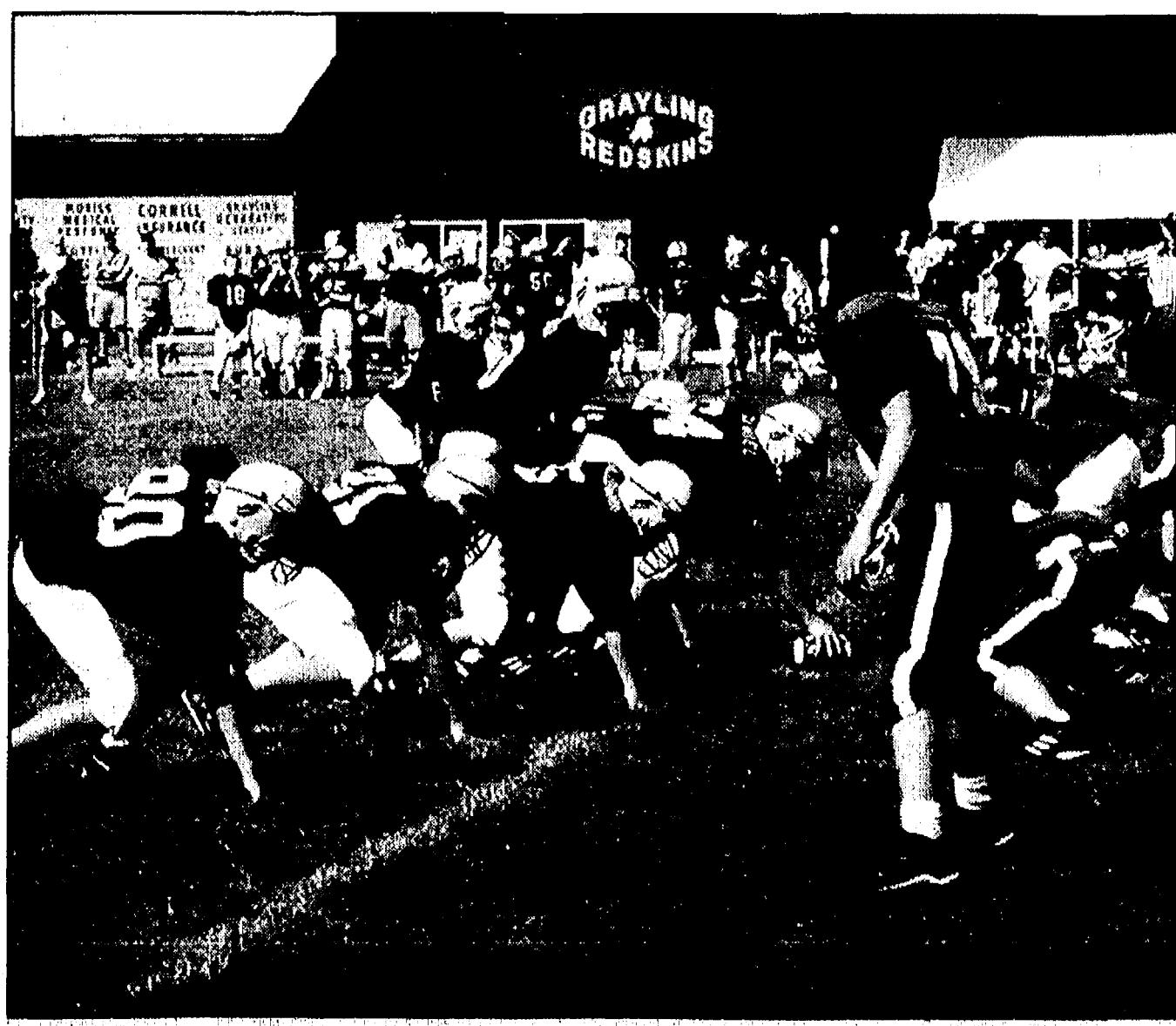
The Grayling Redskins Youth Football League, which is open to young people in grades 3-8, will conduct an early sign-up session

for players and cheerleaders at 6-9 p.m. on Thursday, June 3, at Redskin Field (located at the Crawford County Fairgrounds).

Although there will be other sign-up opportunities later, parents are encouraged to sign up early in order to ensure their child has a spot in this year's program, league officials said.

To qualify for the teams, players and cheerleaders must be in the following grades next school year: Junior Redskins, 3rd and 4th grades; Freshman teams, 5th and 6th grades; Junior Varsity, 7th grade; Varsity, 8th grade.

For more information, contact Judy Morgan or Bud Morgan at 348-2548.



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Tennis team wins 7-1 at Boyne

**Vikings win three
singles matches
and sweep the
doubles events**

The GHS varsity boys tennis team defeated the Boyne City Ramblers 7-1 in a meet at Boyne Mountain last Wednesday. The Vikings won three of four singles matches and took all four doubles matches.

"The boys won their first dual match in two years. This was an outstanding effort by everyone today," Coach Joe Mau said. "We played hard, concentrated well, and supported each other throughout the contest. This was the kind of effort we need to bring to the courts every day."

Mattias Schafer (#1 singles) won his match 6-3, 6-3. Doug Slater (#2 singles) won 6-3, 6-2.

Jim Jansen (#4 singles) defeated his opponent 3-6, 6-2, 6-4. Jason Fekete (#3 singles) lost a close match 6-3, 2-6, 6-7 (2-7).

In doubles action, Brady Ward and Austin Andrus (#1 doubles) won 6-2, 6-1; Zeke Hayes and Bobby Feutz (#2 doubles) won 6-2, 6-3; Zach Dean and James Haven (#3 doubles) won 6-2, 6-0; and Eric Persing and Tim Domcik (#4 doubles) won 6-0, 6-1.

Grayling also won two exhibition doubles matches. Nate Helsel and Scott Olson won 6-1, 6-0, and Andrew Hart and Mitch Salyers won 6-3, 6-4.

The Vikings host Petoskey on Wednesday, May 19, at 4:30 p.m. The team will compete in Regionals on Thursday, May 20. On Saturday, May 22, the Vikings will compete in the Petoskey Tournament.



Zeke Hayes hits a ball during singles play.

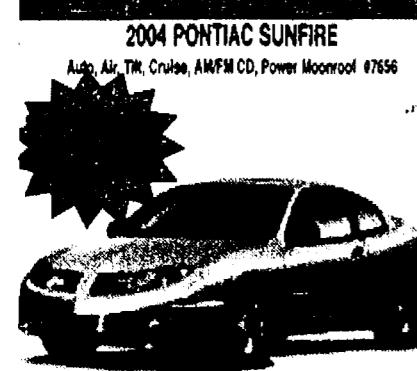


Mattias Schafer hits the ball during a singles match.

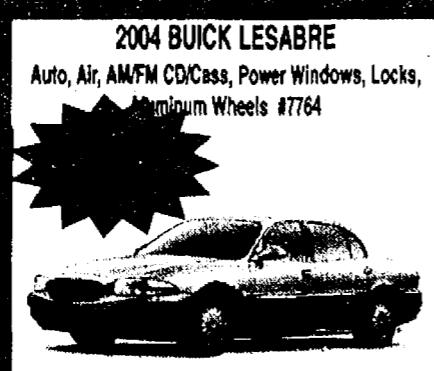
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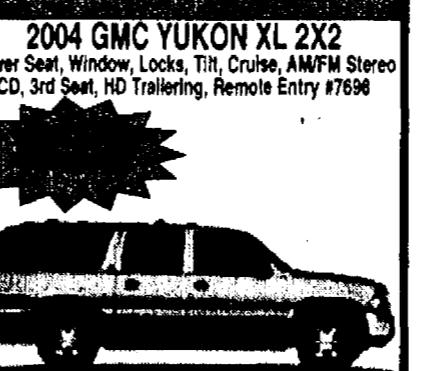
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Jason Fekete serves for Grayling.

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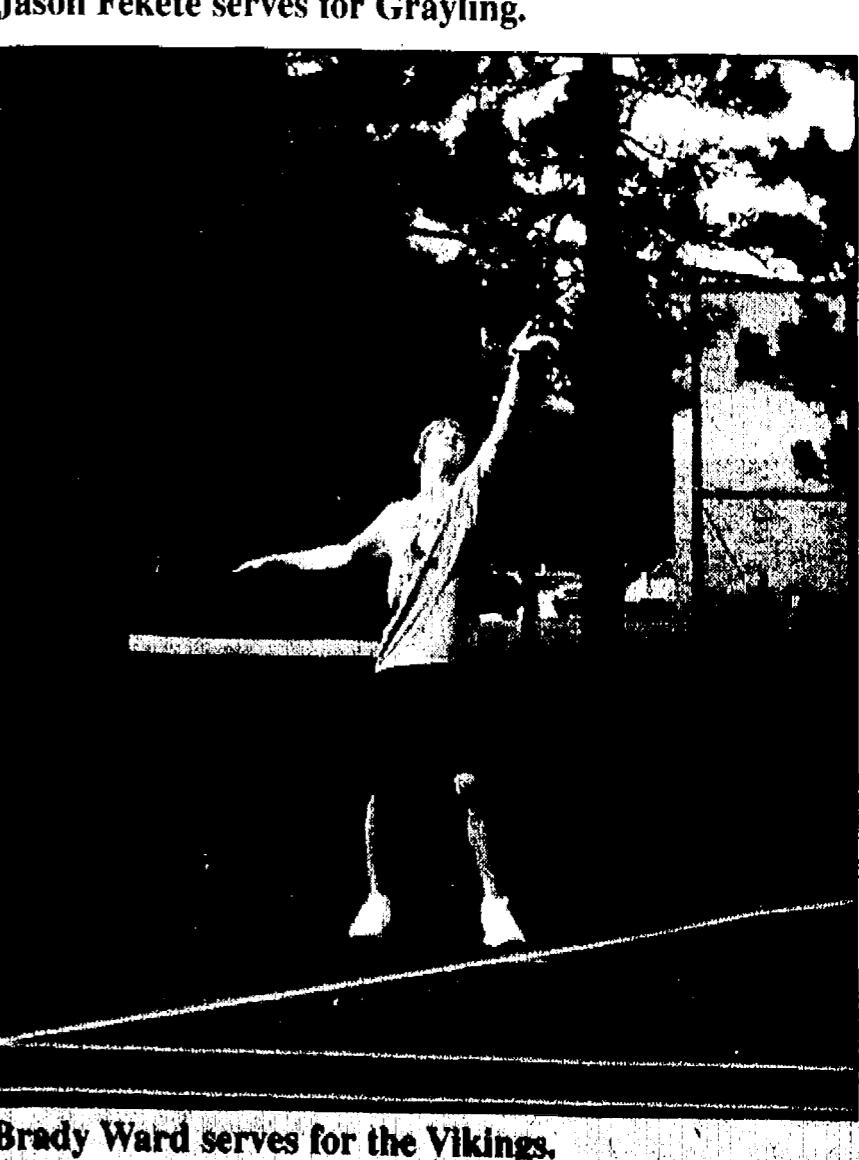
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Brady Ward serves for the Vikings.

Local man wins award at Mustang show

Ron Hellebuyck of Grayling recently won the "Judges Choice Award of Excellence" at the Mustang 40th Anniversary celebration at the Nashville Motorspeedway in Tennessee. More than 4,200 Mustangs were showcased at the event.

Hellebuyck entered his 1968 Red Mustang GT Convertible.

He received the Award of Excellence for his "outstanding craftsmanship in the restoration of his 1968 Mustang." The award was the only one given within the 1967 or 1968 convertible class.

Hellebuyck is the owner and operator of H&B Electric in Grayling. Ron and his son Jason build starters and alternators for

cars, specializing in the electrical needs of vehicles. Their hobby is restoration, which takes a lot of determination and commitment.

"It has taken us 14 years to build this Mustang from the frame up with absolutely no outside help, but the end result can be so rewarding," Hellebuyck said. "There were so many out-

standing Mustangs to choose from, and for mine to receive such an honor means so much to me."

Hellebuyck was interviewed by Dennis Gage from "My Classic Car" show, which will be aired in the near future on TNN. He also met Carroll Shelby, the designer of the Shelby Mustang.

"I plan to enter some of my cars in the summer car shows and hope to spread a little 'pony car' atmosphere," Hellebuyck said.



Ron Hellebuyck of Grayling, with his award-winning 1968 Mustang

Sign up now for fall youth soccer

Challenger British Soccer Camp to be held July 12-16

The Crawford AuSable Soccer Association (CASA) is now accepting registrations for its 2004 fall youth soccer program. Children are eligible to play if they are four years old by October 16, 2004.

The league has three regular sign-up dates coming up, plus two late registration opportunities. Registration must be done in person at one of the following dates/locations: Saturday, May 22, 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Hanson Hills Soccer Fields; Tuesday, May 25, 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the AuSable Primary School entrance; Saturday, June 5, 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Hanson Hills Soccer Fields.

Late registration dates: Thursday, July 15, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Hanson Hills Soccer Fields; Friday, July 16, 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. at the Hanson Hills Soccer Fields.

Registration fee is \$30 per player (with a \$90 family maximum). Late registration is an additional \$15 per player. Registrations will not be accepted after July 16.

Registration forms can be picked up at The Medicine Shoppe and Grayling City Hall. When turned in at one of the five remaining registration dates, forms must be accompanied by

payment and a copy of the player's birth certificate. (A birth certificate copy is not needed if one was submitted to the league in 2003 or 2004.)

The league will run from September 11 to October 16. Games will be played at Hanson Hills on Saturday mornings. Practices begin the week of August 29. Team rosters will be posted on August 25. Check the CASA Information Board at Hanson Hills or The Medicine Shoppe.

A soccer camp for young people age 4-18 - a Challenger Sports British Soccer Camp - will be held at the Hanson Hills Soccer Fields on July 12-16.

The week-long camp offers the following programs:

- Mini-Soccer - 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. or 10:40 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. Must be 4 years of age by July 12 to participate.

Cost: \$68. Description: A mini session designed for 4-5 year olds to introduce them to soccer. Camp involves fun games, competitions, skill-building activities, and coached small-sided games.

- Half-Day Camp - Ages 6-9, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Must be 6 years of age by July 12 to participate. Cost: \$90. Ages 10-14, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Must be 10 years of age by July 12 to participate. Cost: \$90.

Description: Emphasis is placed on individual skill development, fundamental tactics, goal scoring, and coach scrim-

mages. Children will work on individual foot skills, technical drills, and play small-sided games.

- Full Day Camp - Ages 10-18, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Cost: \$135. Description: This is a more advanced camp designed for more serious players. Players will focus on game-related techniques, tactical development, and coached match play.

The Challenger British Soccer Camp will run Monday through Friday, July 12-16. Each child will be coached by a member of the British staff flown to the USA exclusively for a series of summer coaching camps for Challenger British Soccer Camps, a Kansas City based company. Challenger British Soccer Camps will coach more than 60,000 players and over 20,000 coaches this year.

All registered campers will receive a camp T-shirt, a Euro-style soccer ball, and free issues of *Sports Illustrated for Kids*. Campers who register on-line by May 27 will receive a free official 2004 British Soccer jersey. Visit www.challengersports.com to register. Brochures for the camp can also be picked up at area school offices and at The Medicine Shoppe.

GRAYLING COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

By Donna Thomson Wednesday Ladies League

What an absolutely beautiful day was enjoyed by all the Wednesday Ladies on May 12. I hope this goes on all summer.

We played "Scotch Doubles" and my partner had me in some weird places I'm not used to, but I returned the favor a few times myself, so it all evened out. It really was fun.

Our winners for this week were in 1st place, the team of Nancy Glaslee and Jeanette Kitchen, with a 47.

In 2nd place - the team of Mary Jane Knibbs and Wendy Kucharek with a 50 and in 3rd place, the team of Bev McNamara and Sally McNamara with a 52.

There were 28 gals ready and eager to play, so that was a good beginning.

We then had a lunch of croiss-

sant chicken salad sandwich with chips and fruit.

I want to apologize for a few errors in last week's article. Shirley Schultz was left off the list of members serving on the board. Also Bev McNamara, Joann Michal and Kathy Olson are the new Rules Committee members not Golf Committee and last but no least, there is no 155 yard marker - should have been 150 yard. My typewriter got away from me. We also have another new member, Lynda Hetrick who has returned to join our group. Glad to have you back.

So folk, please bear with me as I do believe some of those memory skills got a little rusty over the winter. Hopefully, I will be able to get true facts in every week from now on.

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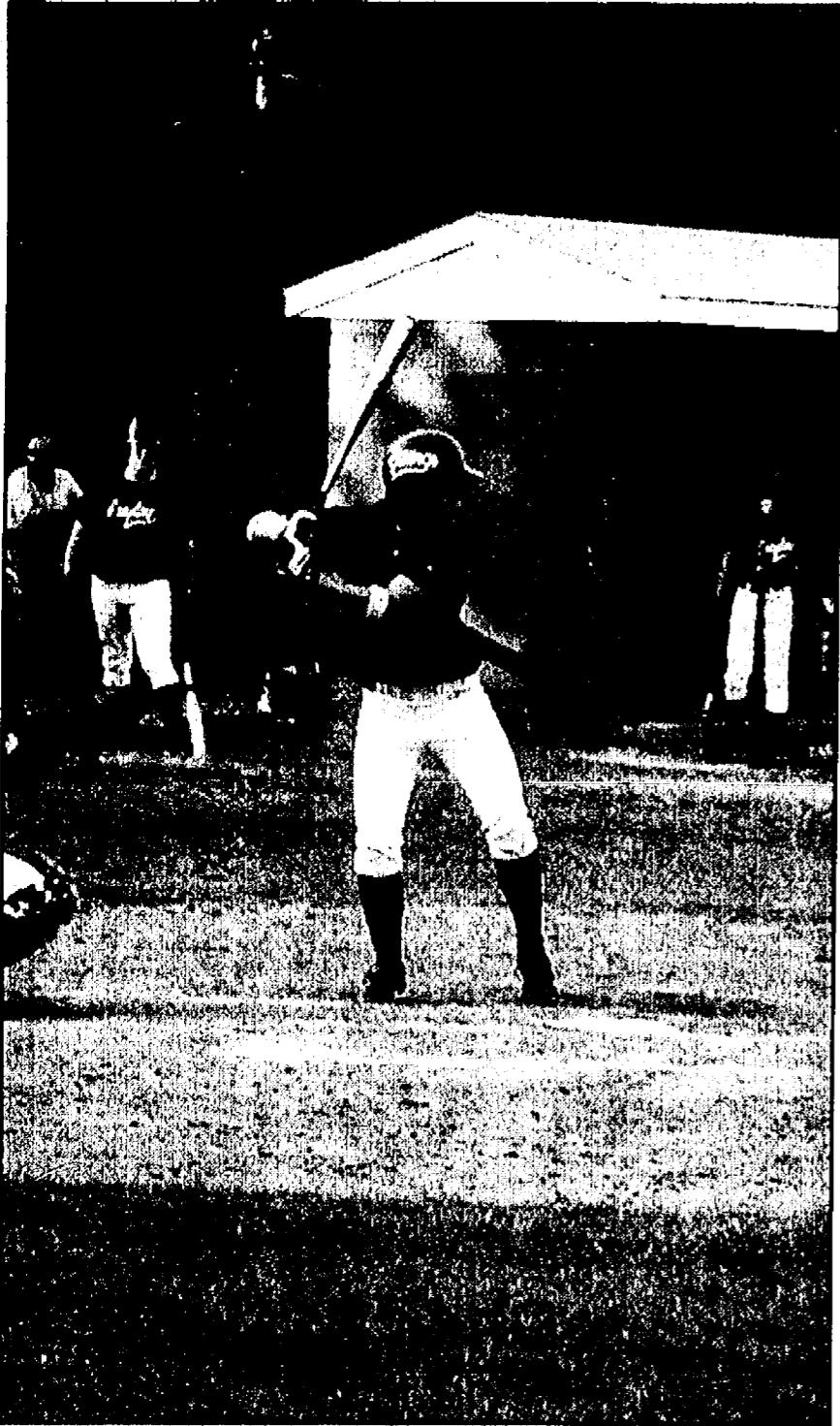
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JV baseball team splits with Gladiators

Traverse City St. Francis wins game one, GHS wins game two

Grayling High School's junior varsity baseball team split a doubleheader with the visiting Gladiators of Traverse City St. Francis last Tuesday at GHS.

TCSF won the first game 5-2, and Grayling took game two 8-7. The Vikings moved to 11-3 with the split.

J.C. Schneider pitched for Grayling in game one and took the loss, his first defeat of the season (3-1). He allowed four hits before being relieved in the sixth inning by Derek Etzler. Coach John Schneider said Schneider didn't have his best stuff on the mound, but the team committed a season-high five errors in the field.

Leading hitter for Grayling was Eli VanNuck, who batted 2 for 2 (including a double) with two runs scored. Josh Mastej had one hit.

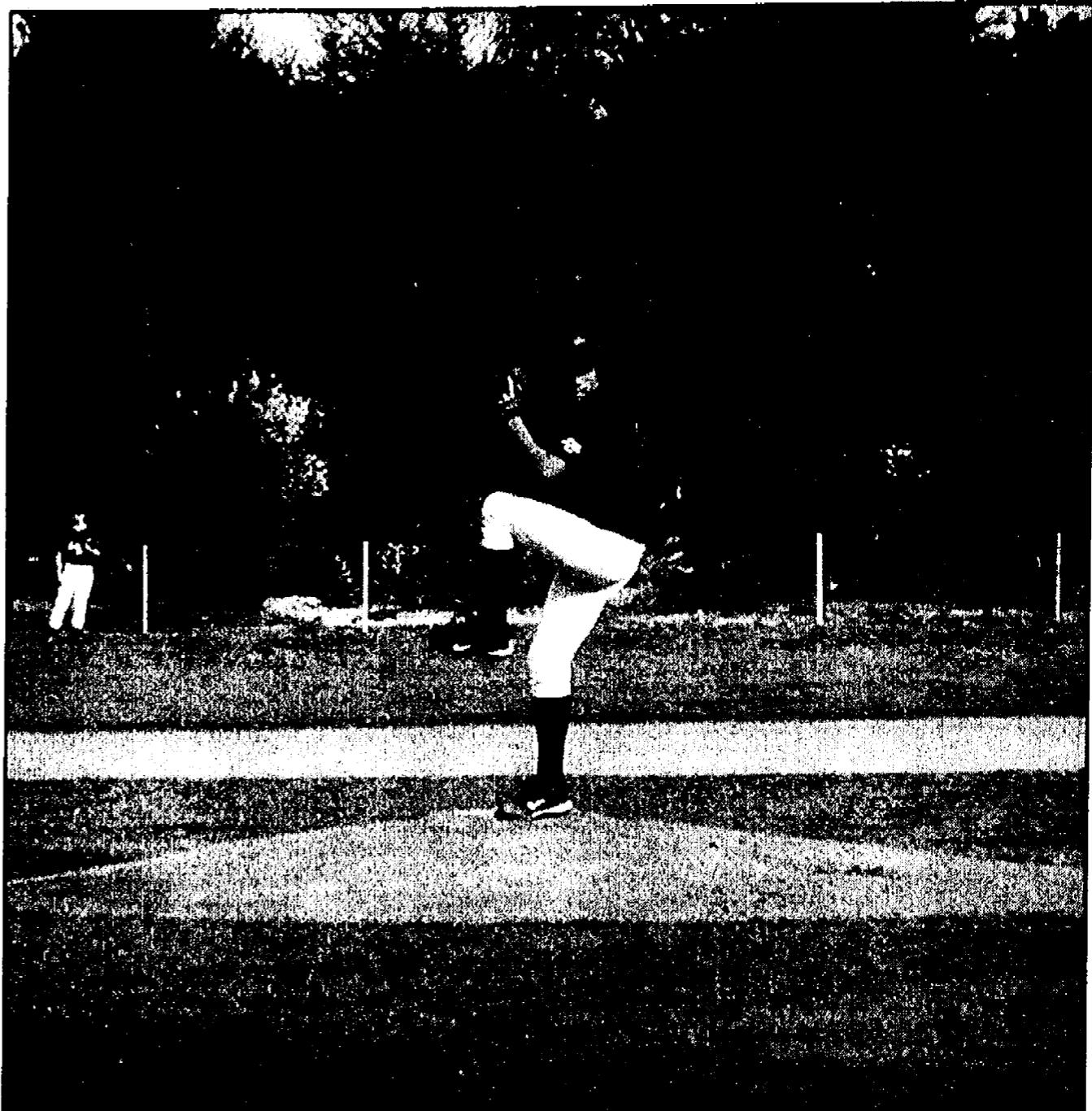
In the second game, VanNuck pitched for Grayling and registered the win, improving his season record to 3-1. He allowed seven hits and struck out five.

"We were very lucky this game. We committed seven errors, we just outscored them," Coach John Schneider said.

Leading hitters for Grayling: Schneider, 3 for 3 (including a double), 1 RBI; VanNuck, 3 for 4, 2 RBI; Billy Stewart, 2 hits, 2 RBI; Ben Jones, 1 hit, 1 RBI; Brian Mastej, 1 hit.

On Tuesday, May 4, the Vikings split a doubleheader with East Jordan. Both games were decided by one run, with Grayling winning the first game 6-5 and East Jordan taking game two 8-7.

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Eli VanNuck pitches for Grayling on Tuesday.



Josh Mastej leads off at first base in the St. Francis series.

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Billy Stewart bats for GHS.

JV baseball team splits with Gladiators

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Zac Baker was the starting pitcher for Grayling in game one. It was his first start of the year. Baker left the game after five innings with the score tied. Etzler pitched in relief and picked up his third win of the season. "Baker did a great job against a real good hitting team," Coach Schneider said.

Leading Grayling hitters: VanNuck, 3 for 3 (including a double); Jones, 2 hits; Josh Mastej, 2 hits; Stewart, 1 hit, 2 RBI.

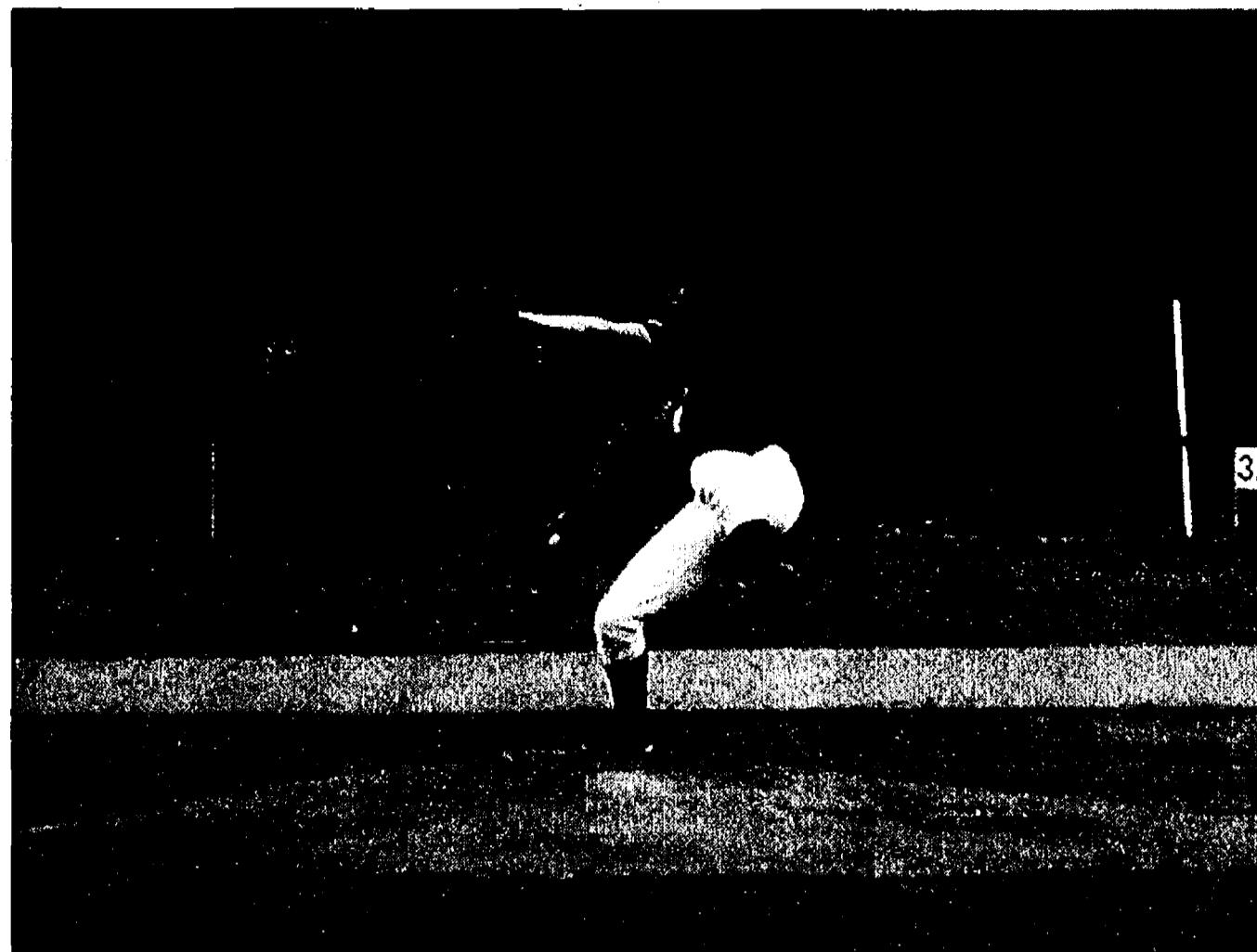
"Ben Jones laid down an outstanding bunt in the last inning. A wild throw allowed Josh Mastej to score the game ending run," Coach Schneider said.

In the second game, VanNuck pitched for Grayling. He took the loss, his first of the season. VanNuck left the game with East Jordan up 3-2. Schneider pitched in relief. Three Grayling errors and one hit by East Jordan resulted in five East Jordan runs. The Vikings fought back in the bottom of the final inning with five runs, but came up one run short. The tying run was thrown out at the plate.

Leading hitters: VanNuck, 2 for 3; Stewart, 1 hit, 2 RBI; Jim Boylan, 1 hit (double), 3 RBI.

"We didn't hit as a team very well today but VanNuck had a great day going 5 for 6 in the two games. Ben Jones continues to show how good of a bunter he is. East Jordan was a good hitting team, and the best team we faced this season. I was very proud of our kids, they showed tremendous character in the last inning to almost come back," Coach Schneider said.

VanNuck is 10 for 12 in his last four games, raising his season average to .594. Josh Mastej is batting .450, Stewart .419, Mike Boylan .409, Schneider .405, and Etzler .372. Stewart and Schneider lead the team in RBI with 19 and 16, respectively.



J.C. Schneider pitches for Grayling against Traverse City St. Francis.



Derek Etzler gets the sign from the catcher while pitching for GHS on Tuesday.

Schneider has five doubles so far

The Vikings play at Oscoda on
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Mike Boylan holds a runner on at first base.

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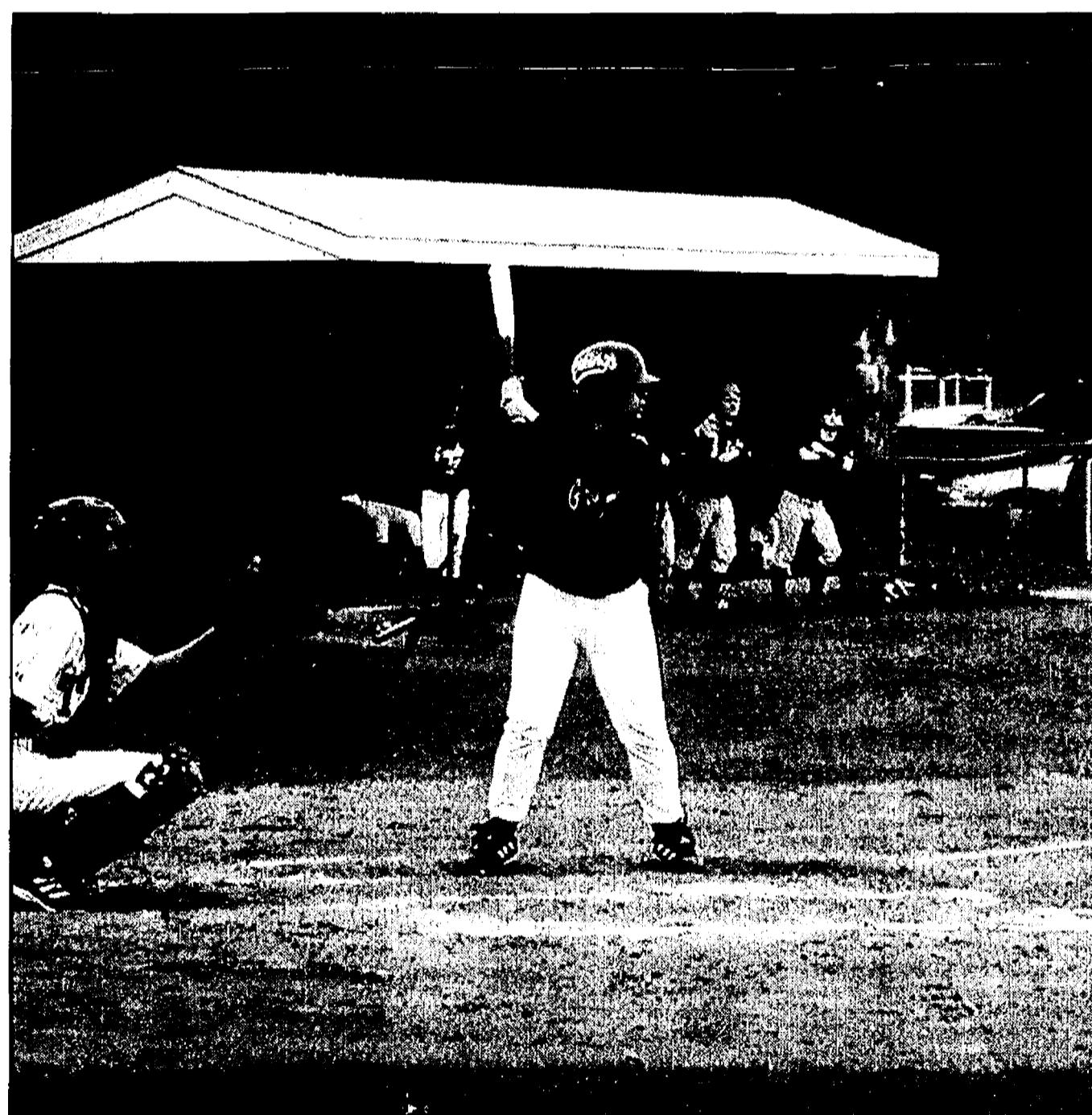
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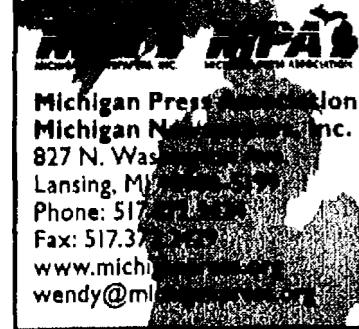
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The 2004 Grayling High School varsity baseball team: (front, left to right) Adam Gilbert, D.J. Metzer, Lee Schreiber; (middle, left to right) James Gault, Ryan Davis, Alex McNamara, T.J. Luke, Matt Swope, Jason Strohpaul, Gibson Tobin; (back, left to right) Russ Peters, Roy Czapak, Josh Hinkle, Coach Bob Gorski, Joe Lange, Greg Morrill, Andy Strohpaul, Coach John Schneider.

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Tigers edge Vikings 14-11

Hillman wins both games of varsity softball doubleheader

In a varsity softball series at Hillman last Thursday, the host Tigers defeated the Vikings of Grayling High School 14-11, 18-5.

In game one of the doubleheader, Grayling got off to a good start with five runs in the top of the first inning.

Hillman took the lead by scoring eight runs in the bottom of

the second inning. The Vikings scored six in the top of the fifth to pull within two, but the Tigers scored one in the fifth and held Grayling in the last inning to hold on for the win.

"Our offense started strong and finished strong, but had a dry spell in between. Overall, we hit the ball really well in this game.

We finished with 14 hits and had only three strikeouts," Coach Caleb Casey said. "On defense we had some errors and one really bad inning, and ultimately that did us in."

Leading hitters for Grayling in game one were: Heather Metzer, 3 for 4, 2 RBI, 2 runs scored; Kelly Dunckley, 2 for 4 (1 double), 1 RBI; Chelsea Wolcott, 2 for 4 (1 double), 1 RBI, 1 run scored, 1 stolen base; Katie Baynham, 2 for 4, 2 RBI, 2 runs scored; Emily Harvey, 2 for 3, 1 run scored; Jessica Henderson, 1 for 3, 1 run scored, 1 walk; Heather Vandecar, 1 for 4, 2 runs scored, 2 RBI; Ashley Prosser, 1 for 4, 1 RBI, 1 run scored.

Wolcott pitched for the Vikings. She struck out three and walked three. Hillman had 11 hits.

"Chelsea pitched a decent game, but I don't think she had her best stuff today," Coach Casey said.

In game two, the Tigers won 18-5 in five innings.

"Again, we hit the ball pretty well. We had 10 hits and only two strikeouts. We just didn't get it done in the field," Coach Casey said.

"Hillman just wanted it more today."

Leading hitters for Grayling in game two were: Metzer, 3 for 4 (2 doubles), 2 runs scored, 1

stolen base; Baynham, 2 for 3, 1 RBI, 1 run scored; Vandecar, 2 for 3, 1 run scored, 1 stolen base; Jenni Emmons, 1 for 2, 1 RBI, 1 walk; Dunckley, 1 for 3, 1 RBI, 1 run scored; Henderson, 1 for 3, 1 RBI.

Baynham pitched for GHS. She struck out three and walked nine. "Katie pitched pretty well. Our defense just didn't give her much help," Coach Casey said.

"The strike zone was small and inconsistent all night. She didn't deserve to finish with that many walks."

On Monday, the Vikings lost both games of a doubleheader to a strong Traverse City St. Francis squad 13-0, 16-4.

In game one, TCSF's pitcher threw a one-hitter and struck out 13 of the 18 batters she faced.

Henderson had Grayling's only hit.

"We were overmatched in this game but we should not have given up so many runs. Our defense is capable of a lot better," Coach Casey said.

Wolcott pitched for the Vikings. She struck out three and walked three. Hillman had 11 hits.

"Chelsea pitched a decent game, but I don't think she had her best stuff today," Coach Casey said.

In game two, the Vikings play at Kalkaska on Monday, May 24. (This is a make-up game. The scheduled April 26 date was rained out.)

On Tuesday, May 25, the Vikings will host the Owls of Oscoda at 4 p.m.

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Vikings of the Week



Heather Metzer
Varsity Softball
Coach: Caleb Casey

HEATHER METZER &
KATIE BAYNHAM

Heather batted .7 for 12 (.583) with two doubles in four games last week, including a 6 for 8 performance at Hillman. She had 3 RBI and scored 4 runs last week. Baynham was 4 for 10 (.400) at the plate last week. At Hillman, she was 4 for 7 with 3 RBI and 3 runs scored.

Vikings split with Tigers, Gladiators

Grayling wins one, loses one at Hillman and TC St. Francis

The GHS varsity baseball team split doubleheaders at Traverse City St. Francis and Hillman last week.

On Monday, the Vikings won the first game of the doubleheader at TCSF 5-3. Joe Lange pitched for Grayling and picked up the win, raising his season record to 2-1.

"Joe Lange pitched an excellent game, holding St. Francis to three hits while striking out four and walking only one batter," Coach Bob Gorski said. "The loss to the Vikings knocked Traverse City St. Francis out of contention for the league title, dropping their record to 6-3 in

the league."

Andy Strohpaul knocked in the winning runs for GHS with a double, after Lange and Greg Morrill led off the fifth inning with walks.

Leading hitters for Grayling were: Strohpaul, 2 for 2, 3 RBI; Gibson Tobin, 1 for 3; Alex McNamara, 1 for 3; Matt Swope, 1 for 3.

The Gladiators of St. Francis won the second game of the series 9-1.

Grayling scored its only run of the game in the first inning. Tobin, who led off the inning with a single then stole second base, scored on a single by Morrill. TCSF tied the score in the bottom of the first. St. Francis scored three unearned runs in the second inning to take the lead.

Leading hitters for GHS: Tobin, 3 for 3; D.J. Metzer, 1 for

3; Roy Czapek, 1 for 3; Morrill, 1 for 3, 1 RBI; Ryan Davis, 1 for 3.

Czapek pitched for Grayling. He gave up two hits and three walks while striking out four. All five TCSF runs were unearned. "The Vikings made four costly errors," Coach Gorski said.

On Thursday, the Vikings took the first game of the Hillman series 9-1.

Davis was the winning pitcher for Grayling, improving his record to 2-1. In 5 and 2/3 innings of relief work, Davis did not give up a hit.

Grayling scored one in the first inning with Morrill knocking in Tobin, who had led off the inning with a hit and moved to second on a sacrifice bunt by Metzer. In the second inning, the Vikings scored two runs on a suicide squeeze by Lee Schreiber and a double by Tobin. In the fourth inning, Jason Strohpaul drove in Morrill with a double. Swope singled to score Strohpaul and Russ Peters singled to drive in Swope. Grayling got three more in the fifth with a three-run home run by Morrill.

The Vikings finished the game with 12 hits. Leading hitters for Grayling: Morrill, 2 for 3, 4 RBI; Tobin, 3 for 4.

In game two, Grayling had 11 hits but lost 8-6 after allowing seven unearned runs on 11 walks and five costly errors. Hillman had three hits (all singles) in the contest.

Grayling opened the scoring with three runs in the first, one in the second, and two in the third. Hillman scored four unearned runs in the second, two in the fourth, and two in the fifth.

With the score tied at six apiece in the fifth inning, the Vikings allowed a runner to reach base on an error. Czapek, pitching in his fifth inning of relief, struck out the next two batters. Two walks and a throwing error by the catcher on a

pick-off play allowed the winning runs to score. Czapek struck out the next batter for his third strikeout of the inning. Czapek was charged with the loss.

Lange, Metzer, A. Strohpaul, and Davis each had one RBI. Derek Etzler had two RBI.

The Vikings are now 7-7 so far this season.

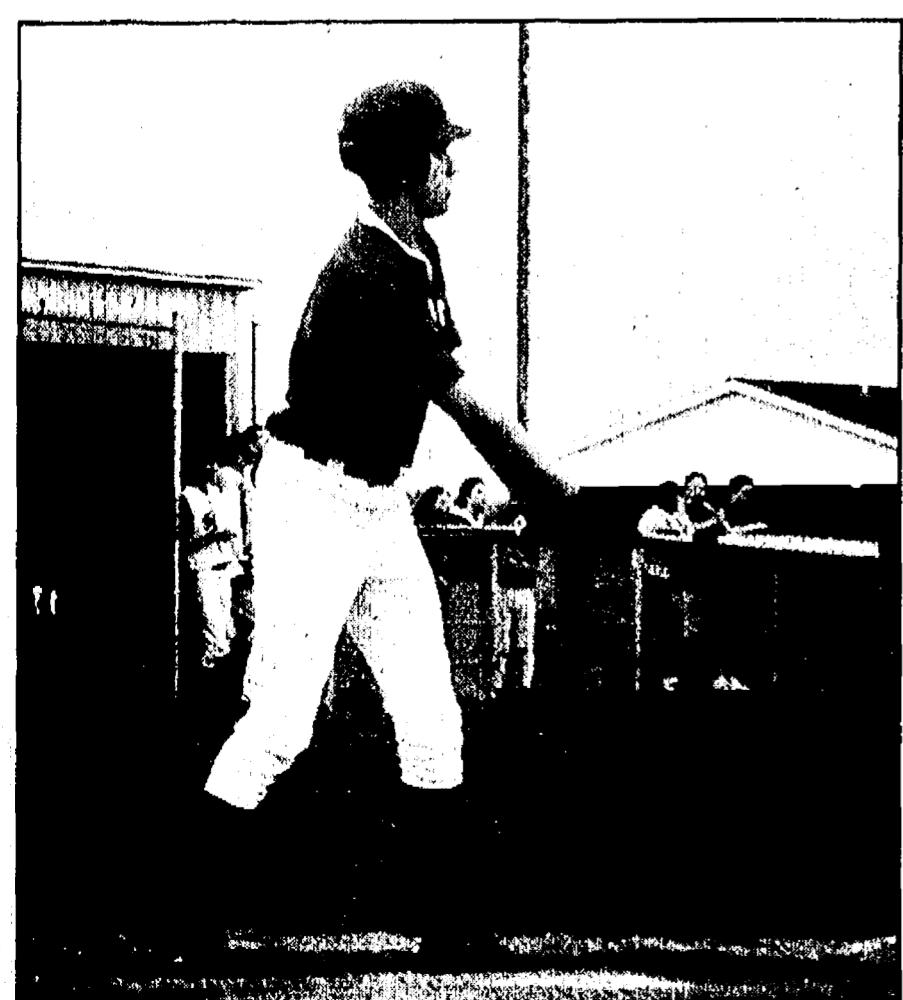
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Adam Gilbert bats for the Vikings at Hillman.



Matt Swope bats for Grayling vs. the Tigers.



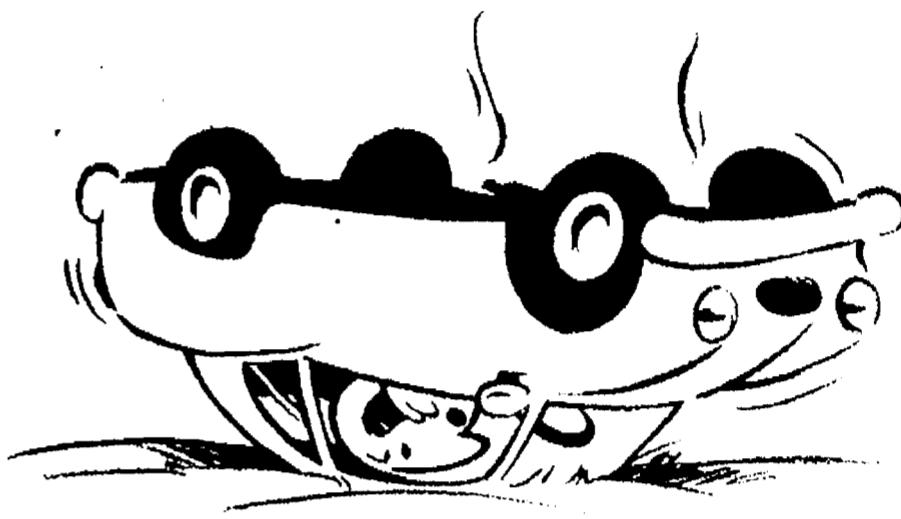
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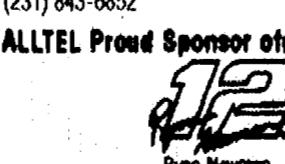
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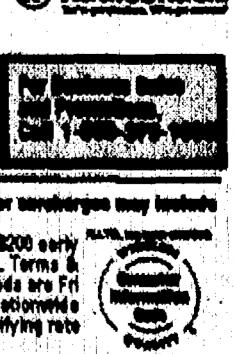
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The premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

The West 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of the section 17, town 26 on Highway M-72, lying on the South side of Highway M-72.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale.

TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale.

Dated: April 29, 2004

ORLANS ASSOCIATES PC
Attorneys for DEUTSCHE BANK

NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS
TRUSTEE, FKA BANKERS TRUST
COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA, N.A. AS
TRUSTEE, As Assignee

P.O. Box 5041

Troy, MI 48007-5041

(248) 457-1000 File No. 199.1415

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-29-6-13-20-27

Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Keith Wade Confere a/k/a Keith Confere, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., Mortgage, dated June 28, 2002, and recorded on July 23, 2002 in Liber 589 on Page 480, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Thirty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-Seven And 99/100 Dollars (\$35,567.99), including interest at 7% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in the mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the Front door of the County building in Grayling at 10:00 AM, on June 16, 2004.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: That certain parcel of land located within the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 11, Town 26 North, range 1 West. Bounded by a line beginning at a point 50 rods South and 30 rods West of the 1/4 corner at the Northeast corner of said 40 acres tract; thence running west 10 rods; thence South 14 rods; thence East 10 rods; thence North 14 rods; to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 13, 2004
For more information, please call:

FC X 248.593.1302

Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys for Mortgage Electronic

Registration Systems, Inc.

30400 Telegraph Rd Ste 200

Bingham Farms, Michigan 48025-
5822

File #023731F01

-13-20-27-3

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

WARRLER'S HIDEAWAY
ASSOCIATION, PLAINTIFF
VS FILE NO. 03 6184 CH

Allen and Dawn Bastiles, Joey
Harell, Glea C. Mast, Joe McKeas,
Karen Rasey, E. Allen Schmidapp,
Raymond Wise, Thomas Witbrodt,
DEFENDANTS

David R. Sabin P19822
Attorney for Plaintiff
115 Michigan Avenue
Grayling, MI 49738
989/348-5588

Notice of Sale

NOTICE IS GIVEN that by virtue of a Judgment of the Clerk of the Court for the County of Crawford, Michigan, dated April 5, 2004, directing the sale of the following-described properties, all of which are located in Warbler's Hideaway Association, Lovells Township, Crawford County, Michigan, I shall offer the said properties for public sale to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse at 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan in Crawford County, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court on Friday, May 28, 2004 at 10:00 a.m.

Lot No. Subdivision

436 Warblers Hideaway No. 3

11 Warblers Hideaway

216 Northern Heights

163 Warblers Hideaway

563 Warblers Hideaway No. 4

308 Warblers Hideaway No. 2

486 Warblers Hideaway No. 4

218 Warblers Hideaway

290 Northern Height No. 2

Karen Martella, Chief Deputy
Clerk of the Circuit Court

4/26/04

6-13-20-27

STATE OF MICHIGAN 46TH CRAWFORD COUNTY JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION/POSTING AND NOTICE OF ACTION

200 WEST MICHIGAN AVENUE
GRAYLING, MICHIGAN 49738
(989)-348-2841

Case No. 04-6365 DO

CHRISTINE LYNN SMITH

1946 Pine Pt. Dr.

Grayling, MI 49738

(989) 344-8279

v RANDY CHRIS SMITH

(Address not known since 1980)

TO: RANDY CHRIS SMITH

IT IS ORDERED:

1. You are being sued by Plaintiff in this court for a Divorce. You must file your answer or take such other action permitted by law in this court at the court address above on or before May 30, 2004. If you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case.

2. A copy of this order shall be published once each week in Crawford County Avalanche, Grayling, MI, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court.

3. CHRISTINE LYNN SMITH shall

post a copy of this order in the court-house.

Dennis F. Murphy P31907

4/21/04

-6-13-20

Short Foreclosure Notice - Crawford County

PETER M. SCHNEIDERMAN &
ASSOCIATES, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING
TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY
INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE
USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE
CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248) 539-
7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILI-
TARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE-Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by: GREGORY A. MILLER and SHELLY A. MILLER, HUSBAND AND WIFE to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., ("MERS"), solely as nominee for Lender and Lender's successors and assigns GMAC Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated May 7, 2002, and recorded on May 15, 2002, in Liber 581 on page 452, CRAWFORD County Records, Michigan

FEATURES

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago
May 21, 1981

This past Sunday, the annual inter-city golf match between Grayling and Roscommon was held at the Grayling Country Club with the local golfers overwhelming the visitors 1711 to 1872. The win brings back the "Little Brown Jug" the traveling trophy. Roscommon won the match last year.

The Grayling Middle School and Frederic Elementary School have completed another successful year at Camp Rotary. 124 students attended this year's camp making it the biggest ever. Students returned on May 15, 1981 and had many happy events to relate to their parents and friends.

A group of Utica Boy Scouts were credited Monday with containing a brush fire last Saturday about 6 miles east on M-72 until firefighters from Grayling Township and the DNR arrived to quell the blaze. According to a sheriff's department source, 20-25 scouts from Utica Troop 208 were traveling east on M-72 when the blaze was spotted. Deputies said quick action by the group saved a nearby home which was threatened by the blaze.

Coach Fred Wolcott's GHS baseball team banged out 14 hits Thursday to overpower Roscommon in a District qualifying game, 10-7. The win sends the Vikes to the Pre-district

against Lincoln-Alcona this Friday. The squad split a double-header against Rogers City Monday to even its league mark at 2-2, good for 3rd place in the 5-team loop, with the season record standing at 4-5.

46 Years Ago
May 22, 1958



The smiling lady above is Mrs. Bert Dannenberg, who caught the 6 1/2 pound, 25 inch brown trout she is holding on Wednesday evening.

May 22, 1958

Forest fires continued to plague Crawford County, Beaver Creek Township in particular, as six forest blazes broke out south of Grayling last Friday afternoon. The six blazes which hit Beaver Creek Township last Friday after-

noon were estimated to have scourge about 450 acres. An estimated 300 fire fighters battled the flames for more than three hours before bringing them under control.

Charles M. Kroll, Bob Smock and Dr. Rex Hancock and Louis Rush of Stuttgart, Arkansas, have been in Temagami, Ontario, Canada for ten days hunting bear.

The A.J. Josephs have had a new roof installed over the back entrance to their home on Peninsular Avenue.

New cement steps have been added to the Thomas Stancil home on Ottawa Street.

69 Years Ago
May 23, 1935

One day last week everybody and everything in Camp AuSable was especially well groomed (of course everything is always properly groomed) in anticipation of the arrival of Major Stark. We had hoped for a good impression by all, including our unusually handsome and intelligent dog "Danya" but on this occasion the careless little beast had spent the morning rolling in the road and then had come galloping into headquarters where he cheerfully deposited himself and his dust all over the first bunk which met with the Major's eye.

Joseph Searles, formerly of Merrill, Michigan, near Saginaw, has purchased the blue Sunoco gas station business previously owned by the Callahan brothers, Ted and Bill. Mr. Searles formerly managed the dining room of the Merrill Hotel. He has leased the Sunoco building from Art

Schwind of Merrill.

"The water was fine Monday," so says Virginia and Helen Cody, Phyllis Parker and Marjory Broadbent, when they went swimming in Lake Margrethe. It makes the chills run up and down our backs just thinking about it.

Don Leslie, of Don's Radio Shop has sold his bottled gas business to the Fuelgas Company of Grayling. He is also moving his radio repair and TV service business to a brand new building at the rear of his home in Karen Woods. Don plans to be in business there about the first of June, as soon as his equipment is moved from the former shop on Peninsular Street.

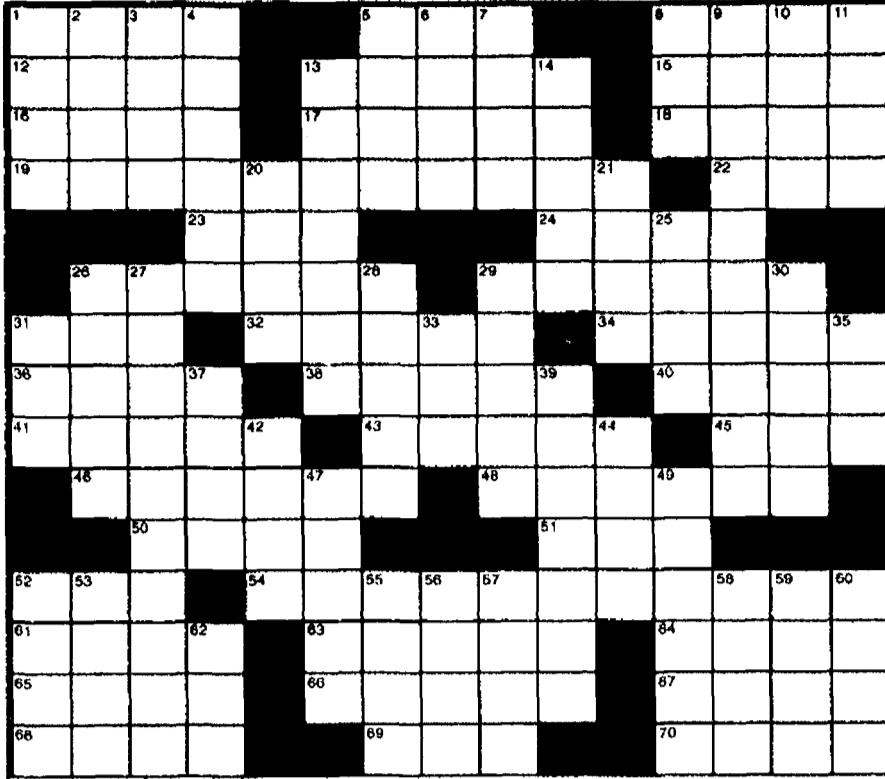
92 Years Ago
May 23, 1912

Tuesday night as J.J. Collen was driving home from his city his horse became frightened at an auto and tried to run away. Finally the horse fell and Mr. Collen wasn't long in getting to its head until it could be unhitched. In the scrimmage Mr. Collen fractured his left arm.

Miss Mabel Redhead came up from Roscommon to be with her sisters, Miss Sinclair is suffering from an attack of typhoid and is being cared for by her sister, Miss Mabel.

A dispatch received here Monday afternoon announced the death of Wm. A. Masters at their home in West Unity, Ohio. They are expected to reach here this evening and the body will be taken to the home of Dr. and Mrs. O. Palmer where the funeral services will be held. He was one of the founders of the Avalanche.

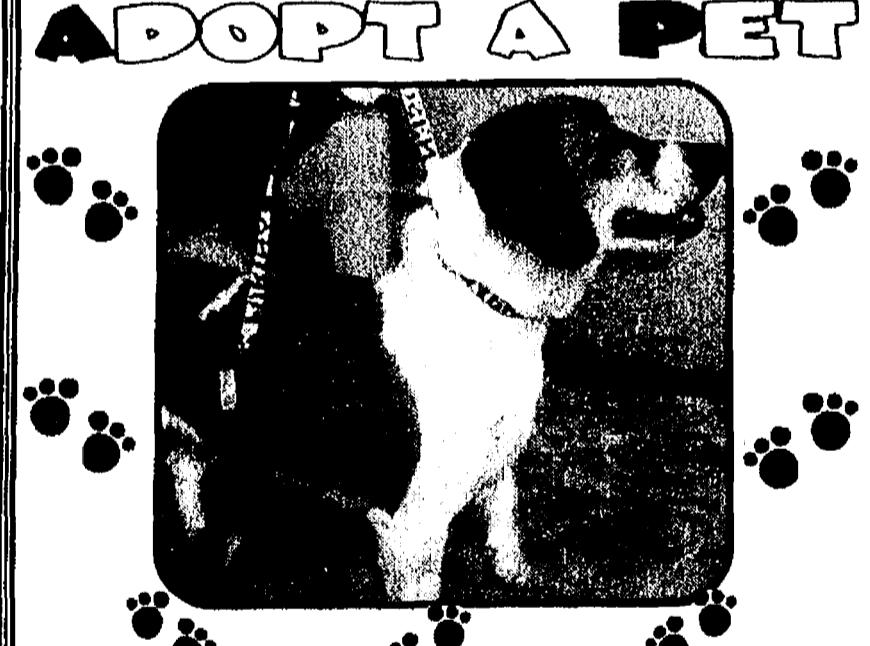
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- Wine.
- Slang for something exceptionally funny.
- Ardent.
- Baking chamber.
- Covered.
- Nota ... "take note."
- Story greatly exaggerated.
- Ulf Svante Von ... Swedish physiologist and Nobel Prize winner.
- The Blossom of ... novel by Laurie Aylma Taylor.
- Someone who gives spiritual insight to.
- Not either.
- To cease to live.
- Southwestern Asian city on the Gaza Strip.
- Crowns worn by beauty pageant winners.
- Nature or character.
- Satellite closest to Saturn.
- Exchange of one thing for another.
- Prang Tour 2003, live album by KMFDM.
- Greek god of war.
- Progresses with a slow, heavy pace.
- Acronym for Australian Library and Information Association.
- Second-largest U.S. state.
- Growing old.
- Acronym for Accelerated Maturity Process.
- To put jam on bread.
- Medieval servants who supervised the serving of meals.
- Readily; willingly.
- Snakelike fish.
- Acronym for Employee Satisfaction Index.
- Perceptibly.
- Risque.
- Cosmetic for coloring the cheeks.
- Not false.
- Slang for a native or inhabitant of Oklahoma.
- Major Henry T. ... 1941 Medal of Honor winner for his defense of Wake Island.
- To work hard for and receive.
- Groups of things of the same kind.
- Looked at with scorn.
- Offspring; progeny.
- Verdon, star of Damn Yankees.
- Intensely interested and involved.
- Most skilled members of a given social group.
- Great god of love.
- Japanese liquor made from fermented rice.
- Past tense of sell.
- Coagulated part of milk used to make cheese.
- The selves.
- Kirin ... Meister, beer available only in the Kanto district of Japan.
- To attract.
- Yearnings.
- Affirmative reply.

ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS



Buster is a neutered male Beagle. He is about 1 1/2 years old. He has been heartworm tested, has all of his vaccinations, and seems to be housebroken. For more information on any of our pets that are up for adoption, please visit our website at: www.ascc.petfinder.com

There are still enough months remaining in the year to warrant buying a 2004 Pet Calendars for a donation of only \$5 each! The calendar is colorful and has the right sized date squares to log all of your important dates. We think the calendar will make a great affordable gift for anyone of any age. Also, we still have about 20 Creature Comfort Cookbooks. Buy one for a donation of only \$15. Stop by the Avalanche or the Shelter to purchase one (or both) of these great fund-raiser items. Cookbooks are also available at Riverland Gear and the Medicine Shoppe in Grayling. All proceeds go to the shelter.

The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at:
508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling
Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall
Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Sun. and Holidays 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.
After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117

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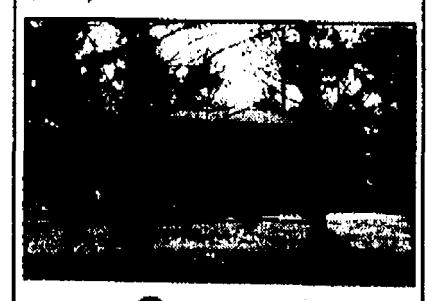
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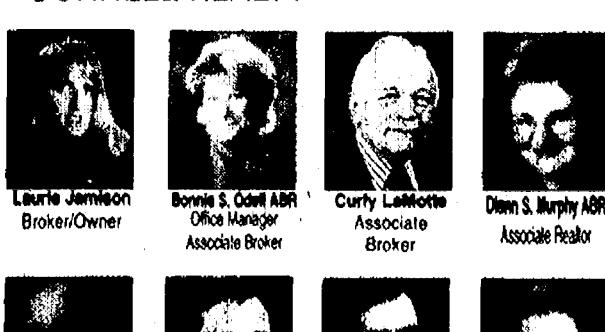
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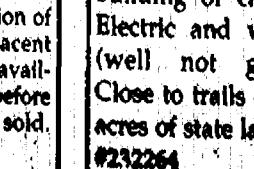
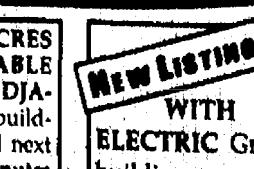
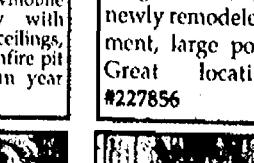
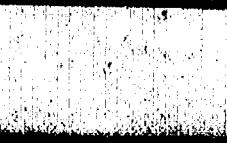
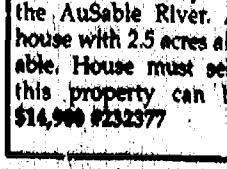
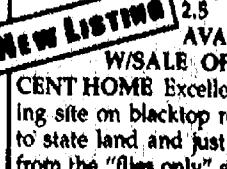
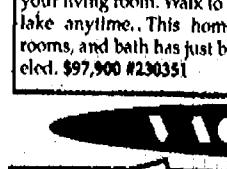
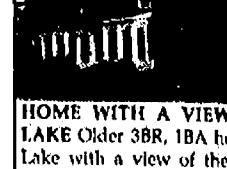
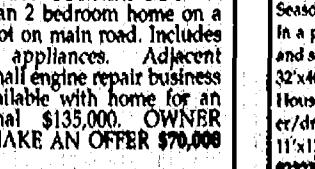
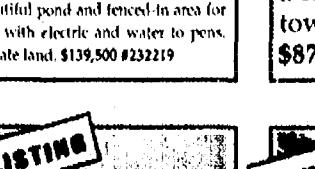
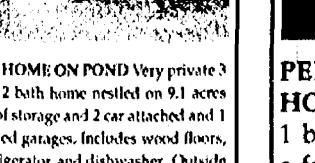
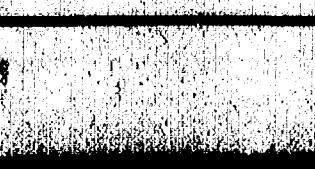
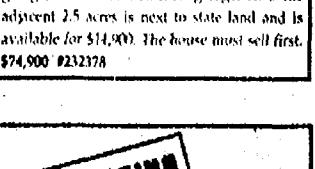
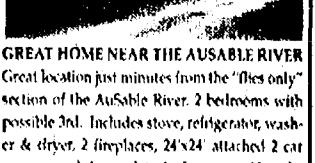


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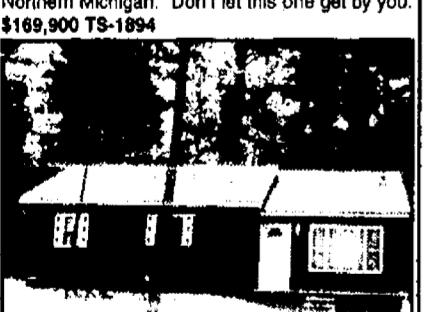
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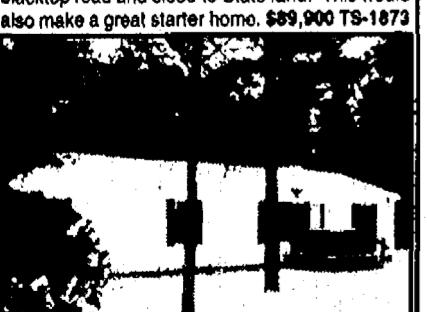
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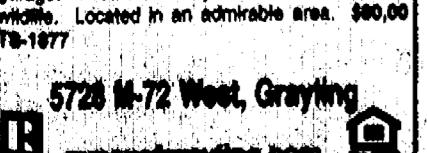
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Fax 989-348-0046

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Personnel Department
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Grayling, MI 49738

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Local: (989) 348-4383

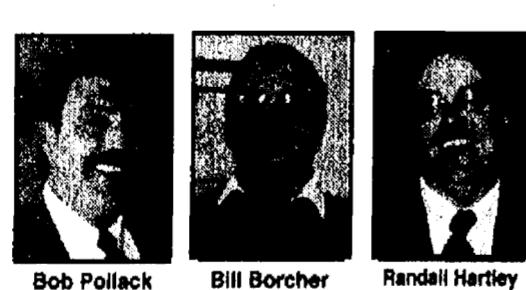
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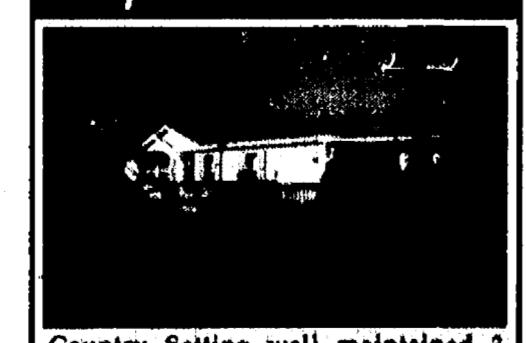
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6. Wanted

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7. Miscellaneous

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8. Announcements

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10. Garage Sales

ESTATE SALE entire house full of antiques and collectibles, antique furniture, big lawn tractor. Grayling on M-72, 3 miles east of town. Friday thru Sunday May 28 thru 30, 9am to 3pm. Don't miss this sale. (-20-27/10)

LARGE 3 FAMILY GARAGE sale. 22nd and 23rd, 8am-5, rain or shine. Clean-women's, men boys and girls clothes, toys, household, furniture, exercise equipment, antique walnut headboard \$150, new LG Weider gym \$300. Don't miss out. 76 Isenhauer Road. (-20/10)

HUGE YARD SALE May 21 and 22, 9am to 5pm, multi family. Maple table and chairs, dog pen, gun, antique walnut drop leaf tables, windshield for 1930's car lots of clothes, much antique hardware. Too much to list. Come see and be surprised. 11587 Lancewood, Roscommon. (-20/10)

YARD SALE - 4 family - 5/28 & 5/29, 9am - 3pm - office supplies, file cabinet, parrot cage, kitchen items, linens, clothes, luggage, knick-knacks, humidifier, guy stuff, travel info, old trunk and valises. 203 North Park Dr. off Roberts Road. (-20-27/10)

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REMAINS OF ESTATE SALE: 700 Maple Street, Grayling. May 27 and 28, 9am - 5pm. (SGF-20-27/10)

ANTIQUE GLASS and garage sale 1350 W. Federal Hwy, Roscommon. 1 Mile E. of I-275 Exit 244. Friday, May 28th thru Monday, May 31st 9am-5pm. (-20-27/10)

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BIG GARAGE SALE furniture, clothes, miscellaneous. 2975 Margrethe 20 - 23, 11:00 - 5:00. (-20/10)

MICHAYWE GARAGE SALE annual neighborhood sale. Saturday, May 22, 10 - 4. South of Gaylord, off Old 27. Maps available. (-20/10)

GARAGE SALE Friday, May 21 9:00 to 4:00 and Saturday, May 22 10:00 to 2:00. Collectibles, tools, fishing equipment, camping gear, old records, dolls, Christmas decorations, men and women's clothing, books, dishes, nick knacks, junk and stuff. 206 Misty Way, Grayling, follow signs. (-20/10)

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GARAGE SALE 9 - 3, Saturday only (May 22nd). Lots of misc. furniture, woman's and boy's clothing (sizes infant to adult), books and CDs, toys, tons of misc. 302 Lillian. (-20/10)

GARAGE SALE 15640 Riverview Road SE. Household, some furniture, misc. May 21, 22. (-20/10)

MULTIPLE FAMILY GARAGE SALE May 19, 20, 21 9am - ? 505 Ionia. Infant clothes, baby accessories, children clothes, adult clothes, furniture, fishing items. (-20/10)

8. Announcements

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9. Personals

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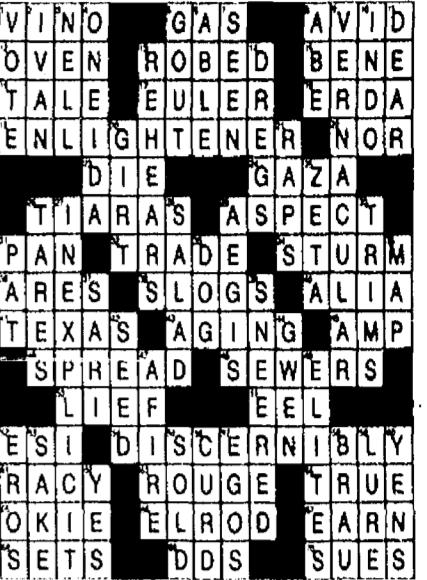
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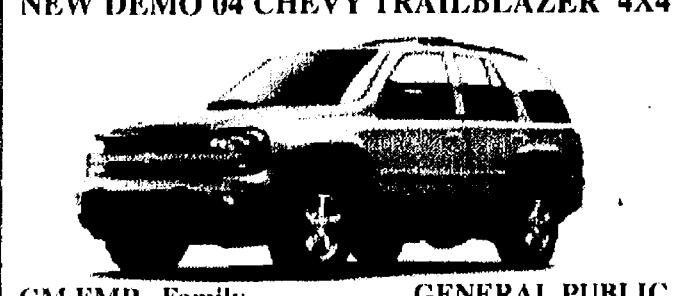
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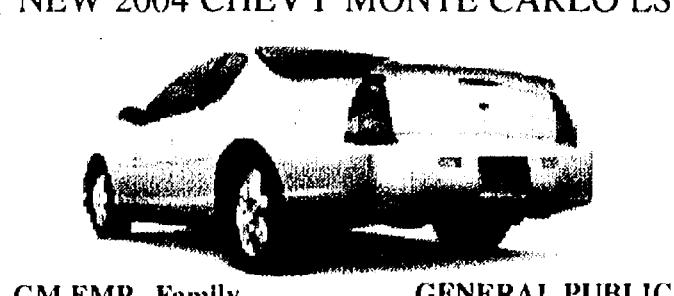
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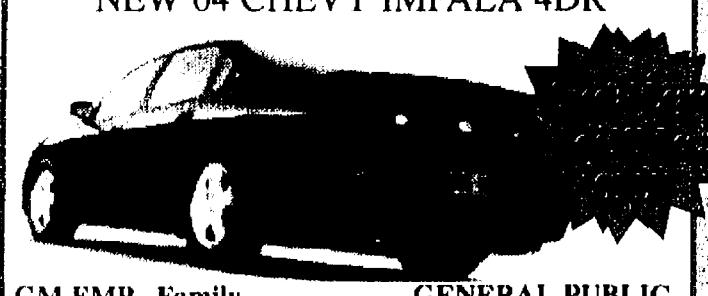
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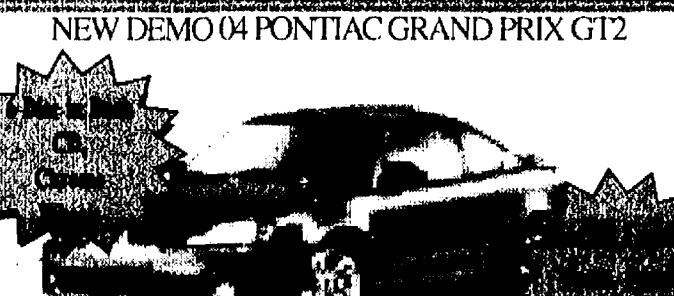
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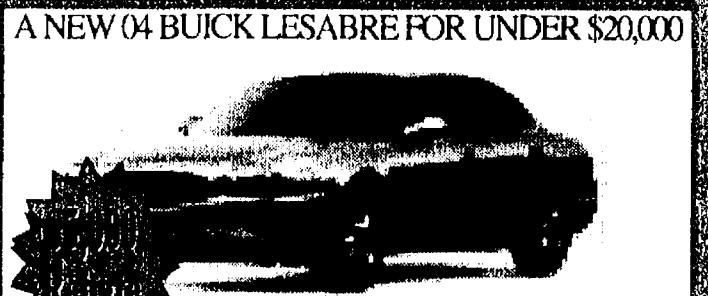
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